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BRITAIN'S FIVE NEW CRUISERS.

LABOUR'S DECISION.

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ARMAMENTS NOT INCREASED.

NEW SHIPS TO REPLACE OLDER CRAFT.

LONDON, February 21.

In the House of Commons a volley of criticising questions followed the announcement by Mr. C. G. Ammon, Parliamentary Secretary of the Admiralty, that the Government had decided, in view of the serious unemployment, to proceed with laying down five cruisers. (Labour cries of "Oh!" and Opposition cheers.) Three of these cruisers would be built at the Royal Dockyards, and two destroyers. Tenders would be invited immediately so that the work could be proceeded with as soon as Parliament gave its sanction.

Replying to Mr. L. C. M. S. Amery, former First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Ammon said that depôt ships and other items in the programme which Mr. Amery had previously submitted to the House were still being considered.

Mr. P. A. Harris (Labour) asked whether these boats were actually needed for the defence of the country urgently and would it not be better to use the money in more productive ways. (Loud Ministerial cheers.)

MORAL GESTURE.

Mr. Thurtle asked whether or not this decision was to be taken as a great moral gesture to the world.

A Labour member asked would the Government take into account the fact that the laying down of these cruisers would lead to the laying down of further cruisers in foreign countries, which in turn would lead to a possible catastrophe, creating far more unemployment.

Mr. Ammon, replying, contended that the ships were largely replacements, not really adding to our weight in armaments.

Mr. Pringle (Labour) asked leave to move the adjournment, as the matter was of urgent public importance.

All the Liberals and over half the Ministerialists present supported the motion, which will be discussed this evening.

The Opposition ironically cheered the fact that some of the Labour members did not support the motion.

WHY NOT A WAR?

LATER.

The Liberals were the principal critics of the Government when Mr. Pringle moved the adjournment mentioned earlier in order to draw attention to the Government's shipbuilding proposal.

Commdr. Kenworthy ironically commented on this method for the pacification of Europe and asked, as a logical conclusion, why the Government did not seek a cure for unemployment by embarking on a first class war.

Mr. MacDonald explained that the ships would not be laid down until the House had sanctioned the expenditure when the estimates came up. He declared the vessels were purely for replacement purposes. The Government could not carry out disarmament pledges by allowing the Navy to disappear and by wastage from the bottom. (Opposition Cheers.)

The whole question of the future naval programme was now being explored and until the completion of this no decision could be reached.

THE ALTERNATIVE.

Mr. MacDonald stated that 20,250 would be discharged from the Royal dockyards in March if fresh construction were not undertaken. This would be increased by another 20,500 in March of 1925.

He declared that when it came into office the Government had begged public authorities, the War Office and the Admiralty to put work in hand with a view to relieving unemployment, and the present proposal arose therefrom.

Mr. Amery strongly supported the Government. He was only sorry the Government had not seen its way to carry out the whole programme of the late Government, namely eight cruisers and a considerable number of other vessels, including aircraft carriers.

Mr. Pringle's motion was rejected by 372 to 73 votes.

FANTASTIC NONSENSE.

SPECIAL SQUADRON CANARD.

AUSTRALIAN SENSATION.

LONDON, February 21.

A fantastic story has been circulated in Melbourne that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald issued instructions to the officers of the Special Service Squadron which would "considerably nullify any Anglo patriotism," ordering them not to make any political distinction during their stay in Australia.

This story caused some sensation, as it was published on the eve of the Squadron's arrival. Doubts were expressed in the Australian newspapers as to the genuineness of the story, which Mr. MacDonald has to-day authorised *Reuter* to deny emphatically. Mr. MacDonald says there is not a single word of truth in the story. The source of the story is not known and Downing Street is completely puzzled.

NAVAL OIL SCANDAL.

GOVERNMENT DETERMINED.

PROSECUTION AUTHORIED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, February 21.

The Senate has adopted the House of Representatives' resolution appropriating $100,000 for prosecution of the oil lease case.

SIGNIFICANT?

NEW YORK, February 21.

Mr. Harry Sinclair expects to give evidence before the Senate oil committee early next week.

Mr. Sinclair remarked to interviewers that the present excitement was largely a matter of policy. He drew attention to the fact that there would be two presidential conventions this year.

[An earlier cable stated that the joint owners of the *Marion Star* are suing Frank Vanderlip for $500,000 for alleged slander and libel, in implicating the *Marion Star* in the oil scandal. Mr. Vanderlip was said to have alleged that an excessive price was paid to the late President Harding in connection with the sale of his newspaper the *Marion Star* shortly before his death. Mr. Vanderlip testifying before the committee said he had no facts whatever to substantiate the use of Mr. Harding's name in his recent speech, but he suggested an enquiry into the circumstance of the *Marion Star* thinking it was a public duty to call attention to rumours in order to kill them. He was a life-long friend of Mr. Harding, and merely wanted to clear the late President's memory of the whispering campaign against him.]

MANY A SLIP.

DOCKERS' SETTLEMENT DOUBT.

UNPLEASANT HITCH.

LONDON, February 21.

There is a more unfavourable outlook for the endorsement of the strike settlement in view of the fact that the dockers at Manchester, Salford and Newcastle have instructed their delegates to accept nothing less than an immediate two shillings advance and the stopping of casual labour.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, in the House of Commons, paid a tribute to the skill and patience of Mr. Shaw, the Minister of Labour, and said he hoped the dispute would be finally settled to-night so as to permit the resumption of work to-morrow.

SUSPENSE.

LATER.

The dockers delegate conference to consider whether to endorse the provisional terms of the settlement or not adjourned after a long sitting until to-morrow without any decision being taken.

It is understood that the port areas are sharply divided.

[Earlier cables reported that the terms of settlement in the dock strike are an increase of a shilling a day immediately, a further shilling a day from June 1, no victimisation, and an enquiry into the question of the abolition casual labour. The terms must first be approved by the conference of dockers' delegates but this was regarded as certain. The situation is complicated by the fact that the Stevedore Union's independent claim for a half-crown increase has not yet been considered by the employers; yet, the resumption will not be fully effective until the stevedores also return.

FRENCH POLITICS.

GOVERNMENT'S NEW VICTORY.

POINCARE'S ADROITNESS.

PARIS, February 21.

The Senate by 150 to 134 votes has rejected the proposal to revert to the system of single member constituencies made in the debate on the electoral reform bill.

M. Poincare earlier in the debate made the question one of confidence. He denied his attitude was a pretext for laying down office.

The Chamber of Deputies by 365 to 183 votes, adopted article thirtysix of the Finance Bill abolishing the match monopoly. This was the most hotly contested article of the bill after article one and three, and the Government made it a vote of confidence.

SENATE'S OPTION.

LATER.

As a result of to-day's divisions, M. Poincaré is practically assured of retention of the premiership, at least until after the elections.

The Government's victory in the Senate is attributed to the large number of abstainers who were hostile on the immediate issue but were unwilling to create a ministerial crisis at the present international juncture.

M. Jeanneney, President of the Electoral Commission, in the course of the debate in the Senate, bitterly complained about M. Poincare placing the Senate in an unworthy position and compelling the House to vote on a measure with which two thirds of the members disagreed.

EXPERT INQUIRY.

GERMANY'S FINANCIAL POSITION.

SECRECY PRESERVED.

PARIS, February 22.

The first committee of experts is observing the strictest secrecy in drafting a report on the financial situation in Germany.

It is stated however that there is no truth in the rumour that the experts have discussed the restoration of the German colonies with a view to increasing her capacity to pay. Such a solution apparently was not even touched upon.

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"Pussyfoot" Johnson.

"Pussyfoot" Johnson, a trifle the worse for wear, returned home after an eight months' tour in the distant lands of South Africa, Egypt, Arabia, and Zanzibar, spreading his gospel concerning the evils of the demon rum, and he told the newspaper reporters that he had nothing but good news to report to his fellow-workers of the Anti-Saloon League. Mr. Johnson wore an expansive smile, despite the fact that his remaining eye is becoming dim and his hearing is failing. But, as he expressed it, "you can't dampen the spirits of a good Dry," and declared that he did not intend to die until the whole world was dry. One of his chief converts abroad was the Sultan of Zanzibar. Mr. Johnson's latest complaint against England was that his watch was stolen on his last visit there, but he was consoled with the knowledge that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was dry, and that Englishmen would probably soon sanction local option.

"Nothing Fails Like Success."

"The French Revolution caused as much alarm in Europe as the first outbreak of cholera," said Dean Inge in a lecture on "Revolutions," at the Royalty Theatre. It was a new disease, and nobody knew how far it would spread. Now we looked upon it as an epidemic malady, with periodical acute epidemic outbreaks. Historians would try to explain revolution by expiating on the misery of the people who made them, but historians had a power, not claimed even by the Deity, of altering the past. The legend of the misery of the French peasantry was probably too deeply rooted to be disturbed, but, in fact, France was the richest country in Europe, and prosperity was widely distributed. Russia was happy and prosperous in the years after the war with Japan. The country was getting richer, and the peasants were more comfortable than ever before. Ireland—rich through the war—had no grievances. Other excuses might be found, but they were justified in saying that social misery was not the cause of revolution. It had always happened hitherto that civilisation had been upheld by a small part of a nation—those who, by virtue of some qualities that led to social success, had more wealth and more education than the majority. And it had always happened that ruling classes ended by ruling themselves out. Nothing failed like success. Nearly all the "Red" leaders in Russia, said Dean Inge, diagnosed by some medical professors who escaped, were of unsound mind, most of them alcoholics and diseased, and many addicted to drugs. Russia would soon become a State of peasantry governed by a military tyranny which would call itself something else.

Child's Tragic Vigil.

A boy of five years has just been rescued from a Paris flat after spending three days watching over the bodies of his parents, whom he was still trying to waken when he was found sobbing by his mother's corpse and calling to her. The boy was the son of a Polish shopkeeper, who, after the Armistice, married an American student in Paris, whose parents in New York are said to be very wealthy. They objected strongly to their daughter's marriage, and the family lived entirely on the profits of the husband's small business. But recently they appear to have been struggling hard with poverty. It is believed that they decided upon a suicide pact, and put it into execution by drinking poison. As they had not been seen for three days the concierge of their building broke into the flat and found the man and his wife both lying dead with two glasses, believed to have contained poison, by their side. The little boy, crying from fright and hunger, related that his parents had gone to sleep and he had not been able to wake them. He noticed a smell of gas and turned off the tap, and then, finding that his parents lying so still grew perfectly cold, he had piled blankets and rugs on them to warm them. He had had nothing to eat except a bar of chocolate during his three days' vigil, thinking only of waking his parents, and even yet he does not realise that they will never wake again.

President and Negro Valet.

American citizens of African descent—it is estimated that there are close on 12,000,000 in the United States, and in some districts they are an important voting factor—are very gratified by the announcement that the President and Mrs. Coolidge, after attending church service, stepped into a big White House car and drove to the north-west section of Washington, which is largely occupied by coloured folk, to visit Arthur Brooks, a negro valet of the President's since the Taft Administration, who has been confined to his home for several weeks by illness. Great excitement prevailed in the vicinity, and very soon all the coloured people of the neighbourhood, with a flock of piccaninnies, were outside the modest red-brick home tenanted by Brooks, in order to cheer the President and his wife on leaving Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge spent twenty minutes with Brooks, expressing their hopes for his recovery, and receiving thanks for the flowers sent him from the White House conservatory during his illness. Brooks told his neighbours that the kindly visit had done him more good than medicine, and that he hoped to return to his duties before the end of the week.

Flying Messages.

The British Air Service in Mesopotamia has, it is stated, perfected a scheme for delivering written messages to planes without the necessity of their landing and stopping to pick up the documents. A line is stretched between two poles about six feet high and perhaps 20 feet apart. To this line the message is tied. By spreading large pieces of cloth on the ground in a prearranged pattern the pilot of the aircraft is signalled that there is a message for him; the arrangement of the cloth also indicates in what direction he must fly to cross the line between the poles at right angles. If more than one plane is up, the cloth again tells which plane is to receive the message. The selected plane swoops low over the poles, and the pilot dangles a line to the end of which is attached a hook. This engages the line to which the message is tied, and line, message and all are dragged into the air. The pilot reels in his catch as the plane speeds away. If the message is to be delivered the plane simply dives to the point of delivery and drops the message.

New Name for Lawless Drinker.

"Scofflaw" is the word chosen from more than 25,000 submitted in a £40 prize competition as the epithet best calculated to "stab awake the conscience of the lawless drinker." The prize was offered by Mr. Decimus King, a wealthy resident of Quincy, Massachusetts, who conceived the idea of coining a word with such a vicious sting that its application to the illegal drinker would shame him into mending his ways. To-day Americans employ such relatively inadequate terms as "boozehound," "rum-bibber," "whiskychaser," and "hoochslapper," but they do not sting the offenders with sufficient force as lawless citizens, and many glory in their shame. Mr. King now offers an additional prize of £40 for the best statement of 100 words giving the reason why the drinker of liquor illegally obtained should receive such a withering name. Britons may compete in fact, it is an international competition. Sceptics predict that "Scofflaw" from now on will be the popular toast wherever cocktails or whiskies and sodas are served.

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Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1924.

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General Managers.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1924.

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By Order of the Committee,
J. W. KEW,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1924.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1924.

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Hongkong, 11th February, 1924.

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DODWELL & COMPANY, LTD.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1924.

HONGKONG POLICE

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HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LTD.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Hongkong Tramways Limited will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, Limited, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of February, 1924, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1924.

A FANCY DRESS BALL
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LEAP YEAR NIGHT
FRIDAY, February 29th,
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The "caves" of Saint-Hilaire-Saint-Florent cover an area of 495 acres, and there are about five kilometres of line laid down, upon which trollies run from one point to another. While strolling past the stocks, dimly illuminated by our flickering candle torches, says a writer who recently went over the wine "caves" there, we came upon the remueur, a man who recalled to mind a hero of my childhood, a clown who shook clusters of bells and produced a continuous melody. This individual was shaking not bells but bottles, and one was almost conscious of music. Left hand, right hand, simultaneously shake, shake, delicately but firmly and with lightning rapidity.

"He is the shaker," said my host. "It is his job to shake the sediment in each bottle so that it accumulates in the neck. He handles from thirty to thirty-five thousand a day, and his work demands much skill."

That I could well believe, but there was still an even more dramatic genius to be interviewed, for after the bottles have stood on the stocks for about six weeks and been shaken every day the services of a second specialist are required.

He is the degorgeur, and it is his difficult task to uncork the forming liquid, to allow the driving force to expel the collected sediment, and then imprison the clean, precious remainder before an unnecessary drop is wasted.

FEIGNED BLINDNESS.

MASQUERADES OF ADVENTURESS.

The fraudulent career of a well-spoken woman, describing herself as an authoress, was disclosed at the West Sussex Quarter Sessions at Chichester when Winifred Page, 37, was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour for obtaining goods and credit by false pretences at Worthing.

A police superintendent said that in 1918 Page was sentenced to two months' hard labour at Greenwich for stealing a ring. She then falsely described herself as a daughter of the late Dr. Page, who was then the United States Ambassador in London.

In 1922 she stayed under another name at a boarding house at Kingston—on—Thames. While there Mrs. Francis, with whom she became acquainted, was robbed of jewellery valued at £300. Page was suspected by the police, but Mrs. Francis would hear nothing against her. Page had since confessed to stealing the jewellery.

MORE JEWELS MISSED.

Page also opened a Bridge club at Kingston Hill, which she furnished lavishly without paying the bills. She also started a Girl Guides' Company and wore the uniform. When forced to leave the boarding house where she was staying, Page stayed at the Grosvenor Hotel, London, in the name of Mrs Francis, the bill not being paid. She was described in Kingston as an adventuress and an inveterate liar.

From September to November 1922 she stayed at a Surbiton boarding house and a woman staying there had her jewellery stolen. Page left without paying her bill. In April last she obtained a situation at Newdigate as a cook-housekeeper, apparently by false references, and incurred a debt for false teeth with a dentist, in respect of which there was a warrant for false pretences against her.

Leaving in August, she stayed at a Brighton hotel under a false name, and left without paying the bill.

CALLED IN DETECTIVE.

She then went to Worthing, where she sa on the parade pretending to be blind. She said she was the Hon. Lillian Maxwell Heron, and the wife of Sir Peter Maxwell Heron. A Mrs. Lynch, who kept a boarding house, sympathising with her supposed affliction, took her in and gave her the free run of the house. A diamond ring worth £50 was missed after Page had been left alone in the room where it was and it had never been found.

Then money was missed and Page called in a woman detective from London, who returned after 11 days' unsuccessful investigations. Further money disappeared in the meantime. The detective agency charged £30 and Page engaged a solicitor to dispute this. He secured a reduction of £10 and paid him the balance, but Page never paid him.

It was stated that a woman connected with a well-known church used to lead Page to church on account of her alleged blindness. Page ordered expensive flowers to be sent to this church, and ordered turkeys for a Christmas dinner for orphans without paying the bills.

BETTING DEBTS.

She owed one bookmaker £70 and another £50. She even collected pennies for a charitable society, but failed to account for the money.

It was stated that while at Worthing Page sent jewellery to a London money-lender as security for a loan. In her letter, which, was signed Heron Maxwell, she said she was short of money as her house had been broken into by burglars. She added that royalties from film plays in America were due to her. In a second letter she signed herself Maxwell Heron, and, becoming suspicious about the variation in names, the money-lender communicated with the police.

At the police station Page was made to remove the blue glasses she was wearing and was found to be able to see perfectly.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

In the Rugby Championship, East Midlands defeated Warwickshire by 19 points to 8.

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Two changes are announced in The Rest side to meet England in the Rugby International Trial match at Twickenham.

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London papers record the deaths of Lord Masham and of Colonel J. L. B. Templer, the well-known Army balloonist.

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With a score of seven wins, one draw, and only one game lost, M. Euwe secured the first prize in the Hastings Chess Congress.

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Chelsea and the Arsenal, who meet in the return League match at Stamford Bridge, provide the chief Association football attraction in London.

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In the course of an interview with a Political Observer, M. Jaspar, the Belgian Minister for Foreign Affairs, declared that his country followed a line of "perfect independence." Her policy was dictated by her moral and material interests, but this, he explained, did not mean that she aspired to isolation.

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Before leaving Southampton for New York, Major-General Sir W. S. Brancker, Director of Civil Aviation, stated in a brief interview that the new Imperial Aviation Company would shortly come into operation, and it was probable that a station would be established at Southampton, which would be the base of its marine work.

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Mr. C. R. Das will lead the Swaraj party in the Bengal Council. He is a candidate in the by-election in a rural constituency, where his return is a foregone conclusion. A meeting of the party will be held when their final demands will be formulated. These will include the release of political prisoners, complete provincial self-government, the abolition of the Viceroy's veto, and of interference by the India Office.

The War Office announce that there will be no Army manœuvres on an extensive scale this year, all training being confined to divisions and smaller units.

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Details of our foreign trade during 1923 are now available. In some respects the returns are disappointing, but the general results are encouraging.

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Following representations made by the League Commission to assist refugees, M. Venizelos has advanced the date of the plebiscite on the question of Republic or Monarchy to the first week in March.

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Giuseppe Mingrino, the Communist Deputy for Pisa, has been sent to prison on charges of dealing in cocaine and saccharine. Mingrino, who was under suspicion, was neatly trapped by police disguised as would-be buyers of cocaine.

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The exact position of the sunken submarine, L. 24, has been located and buoyed. She is lying in thirty fathoms of water. Owing to inclement weather conditions it has not yet been possible to do anything, though divers have been sent out.

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Despatches from Sydney state that the Customs revenue for the first half-year totalled nearly £18,000,000, about £3,000,000 above the estimate. There is every indication that the Commonwealth financial year will conclude with a substantial balance.

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Considerable surprise has been created in New York society by the secret marriage of Miss Millicent Rogers, grand-daughter of the late Standard Oil millionaire, Mr. H. H. Rogers, who inherited practically the whole of his fortune, to Count Ludwig Salm Von Hoogstraten, head of an old Austrian family.

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While seated at dinner in his hotel at Speyer, Herr Heinz, leader of the Separatists in the Rhine Palatinate, was shot dead by German Nationalists. Two of his companions were fatally wounded, while two other people were killed and several injured by the assassins, who managed to escape in the uproar which followed.

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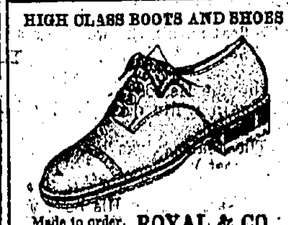

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY the 6th March, 1924, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December 1923.

The transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 22nd February to 6th March, 1924, both dates inclusive.

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General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1924.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Hongkong Tramways Limited will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company Limited, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of February, 1924, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
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Hongkong, 12th February, 1924.

A FANCY DRESS BALL
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"He is the shaker," said my host. "It is his job to shake the sediment in each bottle so that it accumulates in the neck. He handles from thirty to thirty-five thousand a day, and his work demands much skill."

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He is the degorgeur, and it is his difficult task to uncork the foaming liquid, to allow the driving force to expel the collected sediment, and then imprison the clean, precious remainder before an unnecessary drop is wasted.

FEIGNED BLINDNESS.

MASQUERADES OF ADVENTURESS.

The fraudulent career of a well-spoken woman, describing herself as an authoress, was disclosed at the West Sussex Quarter Sessions at Chichester when Winifred Page, 37, was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour for obtaining goods and credit by false pretences at Worthing.

A police superintendent said that in 1918 Page was sentenced to two months' hard labour at Greenwich for stealing a ring. She then falsely described herself as a daughter of the late Dr. Page, who was then the United States Ambassador in London.

In 1922 she stayed under another name at a boarding house at Kingston—on—Thames. While there Mrs. Francis, with whom she became acquainted, was robbed of jewellery valued at £300. Page was suspected by the police, but Mrs. Francis would hear nothing against her. Page had since confessed to stealing the jewellery.

MORE JEWELS MISSED.

Page also opened a Bridge club at Kingston Hill, which she furnished lavishly without paying the bills. She also started a Girl Guides' Company and wore the uniform. When forced to leave the boarding house where she was staying, Page stayed at the Grosvenor Hotel, London, in the name of Mrs Francis, the bill not being paid. She was described in Kingston as an adventuress and an inveterate liar.

From September to November 1922 she stayed at a Surbiton boarding house and a woman staying there had her jewellery stolen. Page left without paying her bill. In April last she obtained a situation at Newdigate as a cook-housekeeper, apparently by false references, and incurred a debt for false teeth with a dentist, in respect of which there was a warrant for false pretences against her.

Leaving in August, she stayed at a Brighton hotel under a false name, and left without paying the bill.

CALLED IN DETECTIVE.

She then went to Worthing, where she sat on the parade pretending to be blind. She said she was the Hon. Lillian Maxwell Heron, and the wife of Sir Peter Maxwell Heron. A Mrs. Lynch, who kept a boarding house, sympathising with her supposed affliction, took her in and gave her the free run of the house. A diamond ring worth £50 was missed after Page had been left alone in the room where it was and it had never been found.

Then money was missed and Page called in a woman detective from London, who returned after 11 days' unsuccessful investigations. Further money disappeared in the meantime. The detective agency charged £30 and Page engaged a solicitor to dispute this. He secured a reduction of £10 and paid him the balance, but Page never paid him.

It was stated that a woman connected with a well-known church used to lead Page to church on account of her alleged blindness. Page ordered expensive flowers to be sent to this church, and ordered turkeys for a Christmas dinner for orphans without paying the bills.

BETTING DEBTS.

She owed one bookmaker £70 and another £50. She even collected pennies for a charitable society, but failed to account for the money.

It was stated that while at Worthing Page sent jewellery to a London money-lender as security for a loan. In her letter, which, was signed Heron Maxwell, she said she was short of money as her house had been broken into by burglars. She added that royalties from film plays in America were due to her. In a second letter she signed herself Maxwell Heron, and, becoming suspicious about the variation in names, the money-lender communicated with the police.

At the police station Page was made to remove the blue glasses she was wearing and was found to be able to see perfectly.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

In the Rugby Championship, East Midlands defeated Warwickshire by 10 points to 8.

Two changes are announced in The Rest side to meet England in the Rugby International Trial match at Twickenham.

London papers record the deaths of Lord Masham and of Colonel J. L. B. Templer, the well-known Army balloonist.

With a score of seven wins, one draw, and only one game lost, M. Euwe secured the first prize in the Hastings Chess Congress.

Chelsea and the Arsenal, who meet in the return League match at Stamford Bridge, provide the chief Association football attraction in London.

In the course of an interview with a Political Observer, M. Jaspar, the Belgian Minister for Foreign Affairs, declared that his country followed a line of "perfect independence." Her policy was dictated by her moral and material interests, but this, he explained, did not mean that she aspired to isolation.

Before leaving Southampton for New York, Major-General Sir W. S. Brancker, Director of Civil Aviation, stated in a brief interview that the new Imperial Aviation Company would shortly come into operation, and it was probable that a station would be established at Southampton, which would be the base of its marine work.

Mr. C. R. Das will lead the Swaraj party in the Bengal Council. He is a candidate in the by-election in a rural constituency, where his return is a foregone conclusion. A meeting of the party will be held when their final demands will be formulated. These will include the release of political prisoners; complete provincial self-government, the abolition of the Viceroy's veto, and of interference by the India Office.

The War Office announce that there will be no Army manœuvres on an extensive scale this year, all training being confined to divisions and smaller units.

Details of our foreign trade during 1923 are now available. In some respects the returns are disappointing, but the general results are encouraging.

Following representations made by the League Commission to assist refugees, M. Venizelos has advanced the date of the plebiscite on the question of Republic or Monarchy to the first week in March.

Giuseppe Mingrino, the Communist Deputy for Pisa, has been sent to prison on charges of dealing in cocaine and saccharine. Mingrino, who was under suspicion, was neatly trapped by police disguised as would-be buyers of cocaine.

The exact position of the sunken submarine, L. 24, has been located and buoyed. She is lying in thirty fathoms of water. Owing to inclement weather conditions it has not yet been possible to do anything, though divers have been sent out.

Despatches from Sydney state that the Customs revenue for the first half-year totalled nearly £16,000,000, about £3,000,000 above the estimate. There is every indication that the Commonwealth financial year will conclude with a substantial balance.

Considerable surprise has been created in New York society by the secret marriage of Miss Millicent Rogers, grand-daughter of the late Standard Oil millionaire, Mr. H. H. Rogers, who inherited practically the whole of his fortune, to Count Ludwig Salm Von Hoogstraten, head of an old Austrian family.

While seated at dinner in his hotel at Speyer, Herr Heinz, leader of the Separatists in the Rhine Palatinate, was shot dead by German Nationalists. Two of his companions were fatally wounded, while two other people were killed and several injured by the assassins, who managed to escape in the uproar which followed.

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HONGKONG FRIDAY, FEB. 22, 1924.

TOLERANCE.

Tolerance has been aptly described as a recognition of the fact that the other chap has his own point of view and his own particular problems to face. How often is this side of the question ignored when we come to consider the things that are Chinese, and particularly at the present moment when conditions seem to be at their worst. It is well therefore that the words of men on our own side of the House who have a right to speak and a right to be listened to should be sounded at this time in no uncertain fashion. Not the least part of Sir William Brunyate's fascinating speech at the recent degree ceremony had to do with our attitude towards the Chinese at the present moment. "Let us," said he, "by all means, do all we can to help people faced by stupendous problems, but, save for the reasonable protection of our own interests, let us abstain from all needless criticism, of the handling of what, after all, are their problems and not ours." Brave and wise words truly. A few days before Sir William's speech, Sir Ronald Macleay, the British Ambassador at Peking, at the opening of the "North China Daily News" new building uttered a somewhat similar belief, more at length and to the point.

". . . should remember that we are after all guests here in China who are under obligation to our host. It is therefore necessary to maintain a nice sense of proportion, to avoid over-statement and exaggeration, to admit the right of Chinese thinkers to opinions which we do not necessarily share, and to give the recognized Central Government of China, which is in friendly relations with H.M. Government and which I fully believe is sincerely anxious to maintain those relations, the credit for its good intentions."

These two utterances sum up in their own way the lesson of tolerance. They should help whether we set ourselves to criticise the Chinese or anyone or anything else, to come to this self-appointed task in a spirit of charity.

Co-Partnership.

So far as we know there is no system of Co-Partnership in Hongkong where the employees share in a corresponding degree with Employers on the principle that both help towards any success that is achieved and that each is necessary to the other. There are perhaps few if any one-man firms where the system of co-partnership could be applied, and we must assume that for the time being the Chinese either do not know of it or cannot quite see its use. Lord Leverhulme, we presume, must be regarded as the great Hight Priest of Co-Partnership and he has introduced the system in most if not all the enterprises which engage him. Of its practical utility he is therefore well able to speak, and speak on and of it he does on all possible occasions. A bon mot of his is: "There is no philanthropy in business." The wage system must remain, he adds, although it does not go far enough. Human nature being what it is men will never be satisfied to go on making profits in which they have no share whilst workers who do not give of their best will never earn the best profits. The idea seems to do away with the old time thought that wages and wages only must suffice—that the worker has no right to a share in any profits; that if he shares profits he should also share losses; that he should be content with what he receives. It is a tremendous subject and it is only the "big" employer—big in outlook, that comes to the question more prepared to give than to take. In Hongkong whilst there is no system of co-partnership, many, if not all, the limited companies treat their employees to an annual bonus. This is perhaps commensurate on the profit earned and in that way is a system of co-partnership. We wonder what the feeling is on making these annual bonuses in the shape of shares in the Company—marked not negotiable—and only so on the retirement or death of the holder. The next best thing to a worker proud of his work is a worker proud of the Company in which he has a stake.

Dear Brutus.

Shanghai's amateurs have no sooner "done" a play than they speedily announce the production of another one. This is to be "Dear Brutus," and all who have read Barrie's play—or better still seen it, will congratulate Shanghai on its good fortune. The title may suggest Shakespeare, but the only suspicion of Shakespeare in the play is the quotation.

"The fault, Dear Brutus, is not
in our stars,
But in ourselves, that we are
underlings."

Underlings to our faults it may well be termed, and when we see Lob's guests as they are before he turns them out of his house into the enchanted garden, and when they return, we begin to see that the faults in us need not hold us in bondage. Lob has got all these people together—people who are disappointed in life and want a "second chance" for a particular purpose—and the particular purpose may be described as seeing that these disappointed ones get their second chance. Lob is a Puck-like character—of human form but apparently of fairy texture—and says very little during the course of the play—which teems with humour and human interest and gives great opportunities to both player and producer alike. May we hope that it will be "done" in Hongkong? Or if not why not adopt the Interport idea and invite our Shanghai friends to visit us with "Dear Brutus"? Football, swimming, and cricket should not have it all their own way in this respect.

BANDS. A Singapore paper recently had a eulogistic par regarding the open-air performance of the 2nd bn. Royal Sussex Regiment. It assured its readers that "these opportunities of hearing them (the members of the band) which are offered to the general public by the concerts in the Gardens are very much appreciated." We should like to say the same about our own very excellent military band. We may be nearing it for some sort of a test is to be made by seeing if Hongkong has an ear for good music and really likes it, and on March 13 next is to be given a first class programme of light classical music. H.E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs are interested to the great extent of giving the venture their patronage and presence.

MAH JONG. A Mr. Hubert W. Peet of 174 Venner Rond, London has made it known that "though it (Mah Jong) is played among all classes, broadly speaking it is not countenanced by Chinese of a high moral standing." It appears that the National Christian Council in China is finding that the Western popularity of the game is giving it a sanction in Christian circles in China it has never previously had. Mr. Peet quotes Scripture with "all things are lawful, but all things are not expedient," and asks if players of the game have ever thought of the application of this injunction.

OUT HERE TOO? Perhaps the best insight one could have into popular opinion at Home regarding the new Labour Government is the following little item / we take the liberty of "lifting" from the *New Statesman* in the financial section of which it recently appeared.

"The following is a résumé of the sort of speech many a company chairman is now making in the board room to his colleagues:

Between you and me, I shouldn't be surprised if we had a good year. These Labour fellows will start all sorts of big schemes to relieve unemployment; and it won't be so easy now to go on reducing wages—in fact, I shouldn't wonder if the miners and some other people get more. But it's high wages that have been keeping trade going in America when all the clever chaps in Wall Street were prophesying ruin. Talk about inability to govern; even these Labour fellows couldn't make a worse mess of it than the others. Look how Baldwin and his pals have messed it up, smashing the party when nobody in the world wanted an election. Why, these chaps couldn't run a whelk stall successfully if they hadn't got a good man to do it for them. Of course, we shan't get the pickings now out of the Singapore Dock, and Cindermeadow won't get any more subsidies for nothing, and we shall lose some of the nice bits that were coming along if those silly fools hadn't queered the pitch; but what we lose on the roundabouts we may get on the swings, and if the cement doesn't go to Singapore it'll go to Shadwell or another of those Yorkshire places on housing or some of the unemployment schemes. (And so on.) But this is the sort of speech he will deliver to the shareholders:

I should like to be able to hold out to you prospects of better times, but no honest man can envisage the future of this country with equanimity when we are menaced with a Socialist-Labour Government, representing a mere minority of the people, which with its destructive policy will penalise all thrift and real industry. By frightening capital out of the country it will frustrate all the efforts of business undertakings to expand, and by a penal system of taxation threatens to bring this country headlong down the brink of a precipice into the mire. We have seen what this policy has brought about in Russia. I can merely hope that, before irreparable mischief has been done, we shall have the destinies of this great Empire restored into the hands of men of capacity, integrity and reputation such as we have enjoyed up to the present. Meanwhile you may rest assured that your directors will do all that they can to meet the obscure and uncertain future that lies before us. (Hear, hear.)

And half an hour afterwards the chairman will anxiously inquire of his stockbroker if he has managed to pick up for him at a low price a few hundred shares which some alarmed shareholder had hurriedly thrown on the market immediately after the meeting.

CHILD LABOUR. Those who agitated—and agitated more or less successfully, against child labour in this Colony, should be interested to read that the Privy Council of Japan is to ratify certain agreements adopted at the third International Labour Conference. These are as follows:—

1.—Agreement establishing the minimum age of children to be employed in industry.

2.—Agreement fixing the minimum age of minors to be engaged as seafarers.

3.—Agreement respecting the physical examination of children and minors in the marine service.

The agreement as to the lowest age of children to be employed in agrarian pursuits has been already ratified, having no connection with the Factory Law.

(The time for the enforcement of the Factory Law is two years hence, according to the amending Bill of last year. Previously it had been provided that the law should not come into force until 1930.)

This must be considered very satisfactory. The minimum age is not given but doubtless it coincides with that fixed by European nations.

TWO KINDS OF LONELINESS. Capt. McMillan and his crew of explorers on the steamer "Bowdoin," snugly frozen in for the winter on the shores of Greenland, chat by wireless every day with neighbours under palm and pine. "We have heard," says McMillan, "stations in England, Germany, Holland, Mexico, France, Norway, Italy, Japan, and Spain." One evening weekly the "Bowdoin's" crew enjoy a concert played for their benefit at a Chicago hotel. They have talked with Hawaii, over 5,000 miles. So geographical loneliness becomes obsolete. What the radio leaves unpenetrated is that isolation which makes it possible for two persons to live in the same household for sixty years without ever really understanding what the other is driving at.

LEISURE. A most singular book is that called: "Report on the uses of leisure in Liverpool." It deals mainly with the leisure of the adult and young person over 18, and only incidentally with the juvenile. Its conclusions are perhaps not of much interest in Hongkong, but the idea of such a report is at least interesting. What such a report made in Hongkong would reveal we do not care to suggest.

To-day's Poem.

(Jesu's Joy.)

When Jesu was a little boy
He pined one day for a new toy.
(O little one unweaned of joy!)

And Joseph said, "Child, take this lath
To float within thy wooden bath."
(What joy the little Jesu hath!)

Whereon He took a feather cast
From a white dove and made it fast.
(The feather was both sail and mast.)

And smiled upon His boat which stirred
And flew up like a little bird.
(Jesu had wished and God had heard.)

Thy meanest labour done in love
Flies up to God like a white dove.
(His throne is white with wings above.)

And smiles upon thy smallest joy
Waft it to heaven like Jesu's toy.
(Jesu was once a little boy.)

—Wilfrid Thorley.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

FEBRUARY 22.

1798. Sharp and frosty ..... The sea very black, and making a loud noise as we came through the wood.
—Dorothy Wordsworth.

HARDNESS.

Nothing is more certain than that hardship is necessary to health, and that pre-occupation with comfort is the most deadly sort of hypochondria.

—Mr. Bernard Shaw.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

February 22.—Coronet Theatre; "The Mark of Zorro."

February 22.—Star Theatre; "The Gilded Lily."

February 22.—World Theatre; Reginald Denny in "The Abysmal Brute."

February 22-23.—Theatre Royal; "The Nine O'Clock Revue"; 9.15 p.m.

SOCIAL.

February 29.—At City Hall, Fancy Dress Ball, in aid of the S.P.C.A., 9.30 p.m.

March 1.—St. David's Society Dinner.

SPORTS.

February 22—23. Hongkong Jockey Club race meeting.

March 2.—Next Tournament of the H.K. Boxing Assen.

February 23.—Hongkong Police Boxing Tournament at Volunteer Headquarters, 9 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

February 25.—Lammert Bros., at 44A, Nathan Rd. Kowloon, household furniture, and one cottage piano, 2.45 p.m.

February 26.—Lammert Bro., at Clavadel, 298 The Peak, household furniture, 2.45 p.m.

February 28.—Lammert Bros., at No. 6, Duddell Street, valuable office furniture, etc., 11 a.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

February 23.—Annual meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at City Hall, 11.30 p.m.

February 25.—Thirty-seventh meeting of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine's offices, 11 a.m.

February 27.—Yearly meeting of the Hongkong Tramways Ltd., at the offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., Noon.

February 28.—Annual Meeting of the H.K. Rope Manufacturing Company, at St. George's Bldg., Chater Road, 11 a.m.

March 3.—Thirty-fifth meeting of the H.K. Electric Co., at St. George's Bldg., Chater Rd., 11 a.m.

March 4.—Thirty-fifth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders of the Green Island Cement Co. Ltd., at St. George's Bldg., Chater Rd., 11 a.m.

March 6.—Nineteenth Annual Meeting of shareholders of the Union Watchboat Co. Ltd. in the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Ltd., 11 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SPOTTED SAND.

[*To the Editor of the China Mail.*]

Sir,—In view of the statements in the "China Mail" to the effect that the evergreen Spotted Sand cannot be expected to win races over a greater distance than a mile, I beg to enclose an extract of his performances on this course between April 7, 1922 and March 4, 1923. The performances speak for themselves. Trusting you will favour this letter with the necessary space

I remain etc.,
ARGUS.

Hongkong, February 21.

[Enclosure.]

SPOTTED SAND'S RECORD.

7/4/22	Carrying 155lbs., won	1¼ mile race in 2m. 39 2/5sec.
6/5/22	Carrying 160lbs., won	1¼ mile race in 2m. 43 1/5sec.
2/12/22	Carrying 162lbs., won	1½ mile race in 3m. 21 3/5sec.
3/3/23	Carrying 155lbs. ran third in the Champions behind Roman Republic and Honesty Dahlia. Official verdict 1½ lengths, half a length. Time: 2m. 35 4/5sec.	

DEVOTION.

[*To the Editor of the "China Mail."*]

Sir,—In reading the account of the work of the late Bishop Pozzoni I cannot find it recorded that he ever took a holiday—that is visited his own homeland. This I believe is characteristic of Roman Catholic prelates—and to a large extent of their clergy, and is in marked contrast to the practice of those connected with the Protestant denomination.

Yours etc.,
OBSERVER.

Hongkong, February 21.

"N. C. D. N."

"THE OLD LADY OF THE BUND."

We have already made sympathetic and appreciative reference to the opening of the new premises of the "*North China Daily News*; which took place officially on the 15th inst. Sir Ronald Macleay, H.B.M. Minister to China performing the Ceremony. With its issue of the 16th inst., the *North China Daily News* presented a fine illustrated supplement containing several interesting accounts of the history of the paper, its editors and contributors—the whole forming a valuable historical document and proving the success the paper has achieved.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Wood, American Ambassador to Japan, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Harold Dollar are passengers on the outgoing "President Jefferson."

The Earl of Latham, Lady Barbara Seymour, Lady Katherine Howard and Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Britton are passengers on the outgoing "City of Canterbury."

A Washington cable through Reuter's American Service states that President Coolidge has transmitted to the Senate the nomination of Mr. Warren, former Ambassador to Japan, as Ambassador to Mexico.

The wedding took place last Saturday at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Rd., of Mr. L. G. St. Clair Johnson of the South British Insurance Co., Hongkong, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Johnson, of Manly, Sydney and Miss Margaret, Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Ross also of Manly, Sydney. The bride was given away by Mr. W. Fraser, while Mrs. Fraser was matron-of-honour. Mr. John R. Way attended as "best man." The happy couple are spending their honeymoon at Repulse Bay.

A *Reuter* cable from London to-day announces the death of Sir Henry Lucy, famous as "Toby M. P." of *Punch*. Apprenticed to a Liverpool merchant, Sir Henry Lucy began his journalistic career as a reporter for the *Shrewsbury Chronicle*. After serving as a special correspondent and a "Gallery" man in the House of Commons, he became editor of the *Daily News* in 1886. However, he resigned from this post next year, preferring his early vocation in the Press Gallery. Sir Henry Lucy has written numerous books about his journalistic and parliamentary adventures.

GHOST ON BOARD.

LATEST "ON LEE" PIRACY STORIES.

FALSE ALARM THEORY.

Late last night, the majority of the passengers of the "On Lee," the vessel reported to have been nearly pirated, were allowed to leave the ship which was still under police supervision. About sixty or so had been taken across to the Central Police Station these comprising those that had travelled without luggage or had not given satisfactory replies to questions put by the police. A number of couriers who run between the interior and Hongkong were included.

After waiting all last night, those detained at Central were released whenever friends or relatives came forward to confirm their bona fides but up to the time of our first edition going to press, a number were still waiting.

Police officers are unwilling to express an opinion as to whether pirates were actually on board the vessel or not, and whether the shots heard by Mr. Martin, the chief officer, had been discharged by somebody else. Unofficially, the rumours published in yesterday's "China Mail" that a mistake seems to have been made are gaining strength, a whisper going round now being that one of the Indian guards had discharged his carbine at a figure supposed to have been prowling round his room. In one source it is stated that he had seen a ghost and that exasperated at its continual visits to that part of the ship, he had fired at it. There is another yarn that the Indian claims that one shot struck the ghost in the face and knocked it overboard!

However, the police have discovered little to incriminate anybody on the ship and the opinion remains that there must have been some misunderstanding.

SAILORS FINED.

PRAYA EAST INCIDENT SEQUEL.

Judgment was given by Mr. J. R. Wood this morning in the case in which Mrs. M. K. Wood, wife of Sanitary Inspector R. R. Wood, complained that Oliver Williams, a negro, and Edward Hurley, both seamen of the U.S.S. "Perrit," had conducted themselves in a disorderly manner and had assaulted her on the evening of February 19 at Praya East. At the hearing on Wednesday, defendants had raised a point that Mrs. Wood, when at No. 2 Police Station, had had difficulty in identifying them and His Worship adjourned the case for Divisional Inspector Aris to give evidence as to the identification.

Inspector Aris went into the box this morning, after which the defendants called a number of shipmates who all stated that Mrs. Wood was uncertain as to Hurley.

His Worship expressed the opinion that these two were the right men and remarked that it was very unfortunate that Mrs. Wood had used the words "Do you think you are in the States again?" to Hurley when he first approached her. Each defendant was ordered to pay a fine of $25.

AGREEABLE INVASION.

HONGKONG CAPTURED.

"The Quaints are upon thee" may rightly be said of Hongkong. "R.B." and his merry cohorts arrived in fine time this morning by the "Khyber" and open at the Theatre Royal to-night with "The Nine O'Clock" Revue and proceed nightly with their programme as advertised with the exception that "Polly" will not be played on Thursday next. Instead "Underground to Anywhere" will be given. We are assured that all the Quaints programmes are the real original thing—and not half measures. Mr. Salisbury's reputation is so great that we anticipate full and overflowing houses during his season.

THE CORONET.

DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS.

The Coronet could not have any better film for the present season than "The Mark of Zorro." Constructed on highly romantic lines, with plenty of dashing horsemanship and typical Fairbanksian acrobatics, the picture is of such a length that from start to finish all padding has been dispensed with, and punch follows punch throughout.

Douglas has a double identity this time. He takes the part of a high-souled young aristocrat of old Mexican California, who remains by day an idle, useless person, but by night assumes a disguise, and sets out to straighten up affairs in the State. The film is reminiscent of "The Scarlet Pimpernel" and of course, suits Doug perfectly.

RACING CARNIVAL.

COCK O' THE NORTH WINS CHAMPIONS.

DERBY WINNER WELL BEATEN.

MR. HILL WINS LADIES' PURSE WITH EDENHALL.

The race for the Ladies' Purse, because of the social amenities associated with it, and the Champion Stakes were the two big items set down on the programme for the third day of the 1924 racing carnival. The attendance during the morning was smaller than usual. This was probably attributable to the fact that just across the road a huge crowd was filing into the Roman Catholic Cemetery to be present at the late Bishop Pozzoni's funeral. The procession was so big that it held up the tram traffic for some time.

One remarkable feature of the racing so far has been that, despite dolorous predictions on the subject, everything has happened pretty well as it would have happened if the course had been in perfect condition instead of the miry mess it was when the first race started this morning.

Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's Cock o' the North was almost as strongly fancied for the Champions this morning as Courtfield was yesterday for the Derby. The Derby winner was bracketed with Sunshine Dahlia as a good thing for second place.

Successful Owners.

	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
Mr. Dynasty	4	2	1
Sir Paul	3	4	4
Messrs. Stephen and Stitt	3	2	0
Mrs. Bernard	3	1	0
Messrs. Morris and Marshall	2	1	1
Mr. C. C. Boyd	2	0	1
Mr. H. Birkett	2	0	1
Messrs. Dyer and Beith	1	3	0
Mr. A. H. Carroll	1	1	3
Mr. Bagram	1	0	1
Lady Chater	1	0	1
Dr. F. H. Kew	0	2	1
Mr. H. Humphreys	0	1	1
Mr. John Peel	0	1	1
Lady Severn	0	1	1
Mr. R. M. Dyer	0	1	0
Mr. Lobel	0	1	0
Mr. Alves	0	1	0
Mr. R. J. Wilton	0	1	0
Mr. Peta	0	1	0
Mr. Topside	0	0	2
Mr. Kakchioh	0	0	1
Mr. Relyon	0	0	1
Messrs. Soares and d'Alamada Remedios	0	0	1
Mr. Bill	0	0	1

Successful Jockeys.

	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
Mr. Hill	6	3	1
Mr. Brand	4	2	1
Mr. Knoll	3	5	3
Mr. Zellensky	3	1	2
Mr. Burkill	2	2	3
Mr. Vida	2	2	2
Mr. Charles	1	1	3
Mr. Harriman	1	0	2
Mr. Soares	1	1	1
Mr. Moller	0	2	1
Mr. Matcham	0	2	0
Mr. Gibson	0	1	2
Mr. Bauld	0	1	0
Mr. Lobel	0	1	0
Mr. Davies	0	0	1
Mr. Sewell	0	0	1

THE CHAMPIONS.

Yesterday it was learned that Courtfield would be definitely sent out for the Champions in an endeavour to complete a trio for Messrs. Morriss and Marshall. The Derby winner also has the Trial Stakes to his credit and our informant, a turf expert of many years' standing, was highly confident as to his chances in the big race to-day. His opinion was expressed in the following words "There is not a pony in Hongkong to-day which can touch him at distances of about a mile and a quarter or a mile and a half and he will have no difficulty in beating the pick of the old ponies which have qualified."

If what is claimed is correct then it appears that the Champions will resolve itself into a duel between Cock o' the North, Christmas Card (Sunshine Dahlia) and Courtfield. Before the Derby it was thought that the "old" ponies would have the Champions to themselves but Courtfield's strong finish in the Trial and the Derby has now convinced most enthusiasts that he will be likely to win. Outside of him, Cock o' the North was the favourite in racing circles last night.

1.—THE GRAND STAND STAKES.—Winner $600. Second $200. Third $100. For China Ponies bona fide Griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one Race 5lb.; of two or more Races 10lb. extra. (Subscriptions, Griffins, of this Season 1923-1924 winners no penalty, non-winners allowed 5lb.) (Jockey allowance.) Entrance $10. Three quarters of a Mile.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 26.90
Places:—1st $ 7.10
" 2nd $ 5.80
" 3rd $ —
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 246 1st $ 1,411.20
" " 270 2nd $ 403.20
" " 428 3rd $ 201.60
Unplaced ponies $ 40.00
Commission $ 514.00
Total ..... $ 2,570.00

Unplaced ponies, $20.00 each, tickets Nos. 631, 287.
Messrs. Morriss and Marshall's Brackenfield, 152lb. (Mr. Hill) 1
Lady Chater's The Woodpecker, 157lb. .....(Mr. Vida) 2
Mr. Henry Humphreys' Dark Mouse, 164lb. (Mr. Knoll) 3
Mr. Dyer's Loch Katrine, 147lb. (Mr. Davies) 0
Mr. Relyon's Uncle George (late Olive Leaf, 144lb. (Mr. Harriman) 0
Two lengths. Five lengths.
Time: 1.41.3/5.

2.—THE GREAT SOUTHERN STAKES.—Winner $600. Second $200. Third $100. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this Meeting of one Race 5lb.; of two or more Races 10lb. extra. Griffins allowed 9lb.; Subscription Griffins of any Season non-winners of an official race allowed 10lb. Entrance $10. One Mile and a quarter.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 28.00
Places:—1st $ 7.30
" 2nd $ 7.50
" 3rd $ 5.80
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 355 1st $ 1,685.60
" " 552 2nd $ 481.60
" " 57 3rd $ 240.80
Unplaced ponies $ 80.00
Commission $ 622.00
Total ..... $ 3,110.00

Unplaced ponies, $20.00 each, tickets Nos. 126, 551, 219, 295.
Mr. Dynasty's Spotted Sand 160lb ..... (Mr. Hill) 1
Mr. H. Birkett's Sunstar 154lb (Mr. Knoll) 2
Sir Paul's Fascination Dahlia (late Thomas à Becket) 158lb (Mr. Burkill) 3
Dr. F. H. Kew's Mopoke 150lb (Mr. Charles) 0
Sir Paul's Ideal Dahlia 161lb (Mr. Moller) 0
Messrs. Soares & d'Almada Remedios' Kennington 155lb (Mr. Soares) 0
Messrs. Stephen & Stitt's Kupi 157lb. .....(Mr. Brand) 0
Many lengths. Two lengths.
Time: 2.51.

3.—THE HONGKONG STAKES.—Winner $750. Second $250. Third $150. For Subscription Griffins of this Season 1923-1924. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner of the Subscription Griffins' Challenge Cup 7lb. extra. Winners of other Races 5lb., unplaced runners at this meeting allowed 5lb. (Jockey allowance.) Entrance $10. One Mile and a half.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 10.40
Places:—1st $ 5.60
" 2nd $ 5.50
" 3rd $ 14.80
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 446 1st $ 1,990.80
" " 123 2nd $ 568.80
" " 199 3rd $ 284.40
Unplaced ponies $ 80.00
Commission $ 731.00
Total ..... $ 3,655.00

Unplaced ponies, $20.00 each, tickets Nos. 109, 537, 498, 400.
Mr. Dynasty's King Canute, 159lb. .....(Mr. Hill) 1
Lady Severn's Durian 158lb (Mr. Vida) 2
Mr. B. Basto's Nestor, 150lb. (Mr. Bauld) 3
Messrs. Hosie & Cock's Wattheau 152lb. (Mr. Charles) 0
Mr. McKeth's Utinkso 155lb (Mr. Bartholomew) 0
Mrs. J. M. d'Almada Remedios's Gutter Snipe 142lb (Mr. Harriman) 0
Mrs. Bernard's Speargrass, 157lb. .....(Mr. Zellensky) 0
Two lengths. Many lengths.
Time: 3.51.

4.—THE LADIES' PURSE.—Presented. $400 added for Winner. Second $200. Third $100. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this Meeting other than Subscription Griffins 5lb. extra. Jockeys who have won three or more Official flat Races in Hongkong or China 5lb. extra. (Jockey allowance.) Entrance $10. Once Round.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 18.50
Places:—1st $ 7.30
" 2nd $ 6.20
" 3rd $ —
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 175 1st $ 2,534.00
" " 685 2nd $ 724.00
" " 587 3rd $ 362.00
Unplaced ponies $ 40.00
Commission $ 915.00
Total ..... $ 4,575.00

Unplaced ponies, $20.00 each, tickets Nos. 126, 564.
Mr. Peta's Edenhall, 163lb. (Mr. Hill) 1
Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's Benz, 162lb. .....(Mr. Brand) 2
Sir Paul's Valiant Dahlia, 150lb. (Mr. Charles) 3
Mr. J. de Jong's Drake (late Henry VIII) 150lb. (Mr. Harriman) 0
Sir Paul's Peerless Dahlia, 160lb (Mr. Vida) 0
A neck. Three lengths.
Time: 2.08 2/5.

At the conclusion of the race for the Ladies' Purse, the usual ceremony took place at the Grand Stand, the purse being presented to the winning jockey (Mr. Hill) by Miss Addis who congratulated him upon his success "in a very exciting and a very muddy race."

Afterwards Mr. Hill called for three cheers for the ladies and escorted Miss Addis to tiffin.

5.—THE AMERICAN CUP.—Presented by American Citizens resident in Hongkong, with $400 added for Winner. Second $200. Third $100. For China Ponies bona fide Griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner of one Race 5lb., of two Races 7lb., of three or more Races 10lb. extra. Subscription Griffins of this Season 1923-1924 allowed 7lb. (Jockey allowance.) Entrance $10. Once Round.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 38.50
Places:—1st $ 9.80
" 2nd $ 9.90
" 3rd $ 7.00
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 590 1st $ 3,631.60
" " 835 2nd $ 1,037.60
" " 290 3rd $ 518.80
Unplaced ponies $ 140.00
Commission $ 1,332.00
Total ..... $ 6,660.00

Unplaced ponies, $20 each, tickets Nos. 658, 366, 1,331, 487, 396, 497, 196.
Mr. Bagram's Gymp, 154lb. (Mr. Vida) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King Pippin 156lb ..... (Mr. Hill) 2
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Grey Dragon, 160lb.....(Mr. Knoll) 3
Mr. A. A. Alves's Musketeer, 155lb.....(Mr. Bauld) 0
Mr. Bill's Silver Bill (late Australboy) 158lb. (Mr. Gibson) 0
Mr. A. H. Carroll's Silver Leaf, 158lb.....(Mr. Zellensky 0
Sir Paul's Jewel Dahlia II 150lb (Mr. Charles) 0
Sir Paul's Charm Dahlia 157lb (Mr. Burkill) 0
Mr. Relyon's Uncle Bill (late Laurel Leaf) 153lb. (Mr. Harriman) 0
Mr. R. J. Wilton's Arizona 156lb ..... (Mr. Moller) 0
Two lengths Half a length
Time 2.11 2/5.

6.—THE PHAETHON STAKES. "A" Class Handicap.—Winner $600. Second $200. Third $100. For China Ponies that have run at any Gymkhana Meeting during 1923 and Griffins on date of entry. Non-starters at this Meeting barred. This race will be divided into two classes at the discretion of the handicapper. Entrance $10. Three quarters of a mile. Stakes to be the same for both classes.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 10.50
Places:—1st $ 5.90
" 2nd $ 7.30
" 3rd $ 6.80
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 14 1st $ 3,850.00
" " 830 2nd $ 1,100.00
" " 1125 3rd $ 550.00
Unplaced ponies $ 100.00
Commission $ 1,400.00
Total ..... $ 7,000.00

Unplaced ponies, $20.00 each, tickets Nos. 150, 924, 677, 478, 988.
Mr. C. C. Boyd's Ramsbury (late Roman Pride) 159lb. (Mr. Brand) 1
Sir Paul's Orient Dahlia 153lb. (Mr. Charles) 2
Mr. Dynasty's King Charlie, 153lb.....(Mr. Hill) 3
Mr. C. C. Boyd's Strathfarrar (late Roman Pride,) 154lb.... (Mr. Zellensky) 0
Mr. Bill's Sovereign Bill (late Roman Eagle), 147lb..... (Mr. Knoll) 0
Mr. A. H. Carroll's Oak Leaf (late Sportsman Dahlia) 147lb. (Mr. Harriman) 0
Mr. A. A. Alves's Starland 149lb. (Mr. Bauld) 0
Sir Paul's Magnificent Dahlia 149lb. .....(Mr. Vida) 0
Two lengths. A length.
Time: 1.43 2/5.

7.—THE "RIALTO" STAKES.—Presented by the Members of the Hongkong Stock Exchange. Value $1,000 to Winner. Second to receive $300. Third $200. For Subscription Griffins of this Season 1923-1924. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner of the Subscription Griffins' Challenge Cup 5lb. penalty. (Jockey allowance.) Entrance $10. One Mile.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 32.60
Places:—1st $ 6.20
" 2nd $ 6.20
" 3rd $ 5.40
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 1362 1st $ 4,261.60
" " 1442 2nd $ 1,217.60
" " 10 3rd $ 608.80
Unplaced ponies $ 100.00
Commission $ 1,547.00
Total ..... $ 7,735.00

Unplaced ponies, $20.00 each, tickets Nos. 72, 1292, 175, 317, 19
Mr. Topside's Mountain Hawk, 152lb. .....(Mr. Burkill) 1
Mr. Dyer's Loch Rannoch, 152lb.....(Mr. Knoll) 2
Mr. Dynasty's King Alfred, 152lb. .....(Mr. Hill) 3
Sir Paul's Leander Dahlia, 158lb. .....(Mr. Vida) 0
Lady Severn's Langsat, 155lb. (Mr. Gibson) 0
Mr. Bagram's Hematite, 150lb. (Mr. Sewell) 0
Mr. Black's Blue Dun, 155lb. (Mr. Zellensky) 0
Mr. Brothers' Jungle Cock, 150lb. .....(Mr. Harriman) 0
Two lengths. Three lengths.
Time: 2.30.

8.—THE CHAMPION STAKES.—A Sweepstakes of $50 each for Starters with $2,000 added for Winner. Second $750. Third $400. For China Ponies, Winners at this Meeting only. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies to be ridden by Jockeys who have won at least 3 Official flat Races in Hongkong and China, or Jockey approved by the Stewards. One Mile and a quarter.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 9.70
Places:—1st $ 6.10
" 2nd $ 6.00
" 3rd $ —
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 982 1st $43,878.24
" " 660 2nd $12,536.64
" " 5,555 3rd $ 6,268.32
Unplaced ponies $ 6,964.80
Commission $17,412.00
Total $87,060.00

Unplaced ponies, $3,482.40 each, tickets No. 10,144, 7,037.
Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's Cock o' the North 158lb. (Mr. Brand) 1
Messrs. Morriss and Marshall's Courtfield 155lb. (Mr. Hill) 2
Sir Paul's Sunshine Dahlia (late Christmas Card) 155lb. (Mr. Burkill) 3
Mr. A. H. Carroll's Fern Leaf (late Silvaplana) 158lb. ..... (Mr. Soares) 0
Mr. H. Birkett's Rialto Star 155lb. .....(Mr. Knoll) 0
Six lengths. Four lengths.
Time: 2.57.

The Race.

Fern Leaf led from a good start with Rialto Star second and Courtfield last. Passing the stands for the first time all five ran in a bunch with Fern Leaf still showing the way, Rialto Star second and Courtfield third. Near the football stand, Cock o'the North forged to the front but Fern Leaf overtook him when going up the incline. At the Rock, Cock o'the North was again in first place with Fern Leaf and Courtfield next. Here Rialto Star dropped back. Rounding the bend, Fern Leaf was still second but was passed by Courtfield and Sunshine Dahlia. Cock o'the North led into the straight. Hill called for an extra effort from his mount and challenged Brand for first place but Cock o'the North drew away to win easily with Sunshine Dahlia a poor third.

Lucky Chinese Win Big Prizes.

The winning ticket in the Champions is said to be held by a Chinese who evidently was content to stay away as he did not present the ticket for collection at the counter.

Two Nam Pak Hong business men in In Tsing-nam and Hoi Tuen-hing drew the second prize.

9.—THE CONSOLATION STAKES.—Winner $600. Second $200. Third $100. For China Ponies that have run and not won at this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. (Jockey allowance.) Entrance $5. One Mile.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 12.30
Places:—1st $ 7.00
" 2nd $ 21.60
" 3rd $ 10.90
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 1,061 1st $ 3,494.40
" " 483 2nd $ 998.40
" " 1,134 3rd $ 499.20
Unplaced ponies $ 100.00
Commission $ 1,273.00
Total ..... $ 6,365.00

Unplaced ponies, $20.00 each, tickets Nos. 611, 712, 828, 961, 1,113.
Sir Paul's Fascination Dahlia (late Thomas à Becket), 158lb (Mr. Brand) 1
Mr. B. Lobel's White Rose (late Harkaway), 155lb. (Mr. Gibson) 2
Sir Paul's Honesty Dahlia, 152lb..... (Mr. Vida) 3
Mr. R. J. Wilton's Arizona, 147lb.....(Mr. Harriman) 0
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Pencastle, 152lb. (Mr. Knoll) 0
Dr. F. H. Kew's Bandicoot, (late Aviemuir) 153lb. (Mr. Charles.) 0
Mr. Pantomime's Dick Whittington, 147lb...(Mr. Davies) 0
Mr. A. H. Carroll's Silver Leaf, 158lb.....(Mr. Zellensky) 0
Five lengths. Two lengths.
Time: 2.22 3/5.

10.—THE NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES.—Winner $500. Second $200. Third $100. For Subscription Griffins of this Season 1923-1924 that have run and not won at this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. (Jockey allowance.) Entrance $5. Five Furlongs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 9.60
Places:—1st $ 6.90
" 2nd $ 16.70
" 3rd $ 57.80
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 1,090 1st $ 3,315.20
" " 64 2nd $ 947.20
" " 841 3rd $ 473.60
Unplaced ponies $ 200.00
Commission $ 1,234.00
Total ..... $ 6,170.00

Unplaced ponies, $20.00 each, tickets Nos. 325, 56, 560, 595, 716, 987, 543, 230, 128, 95.
Sir Paul's Leander Dahlia, 158lb.....(Mr. Vida) 1
Lady Severn's Duku, 155lb. (Gibson) 2
Mr. Mcketh's What to do, 152lb (Mr. Soares) 3
Messrs. Hosie and Cock's Wattheau 147lb. (Mr. Harriman) 0
Mr. Henry Humphreys's Pet Mouse .....130lb. (Mr. Knoll) 0
Messrs. Albert and Arnold's Idealist, 150lb....(Mr. Sewell) 0
Mr. Bagram's Hematite, 150lb. (Mr. Charles) 0
Mr. Pantomime's Aladdin, 150lb.....(Mr. Davies) 0
Mr. Kakchioh's Masu, 155lb. (Mr. Moller) 0
Mr. Maukwok's Unfailable, 148lbs. .....(Mr. Palmer) 0
Mr. Mcketh's Utinkso, 156lb... (Mr. Bartholomew) 0
Mrs. Stephen's Chico, 155lb... (Mr. Zellensky) 0
Mr. Roza's Sorte, 150lb. (Mr. Roza) 0
A neck. A length.
Time: 1.29.3/5.

11.—THE PHAETHON STAKES.—"B" Class Handicap.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner, $ 8.80
Places:—1st $ 6.20
" 2nd $ 15.70
" 3rd $ 6.60
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 354 1st $ 3,491.60
" " 823 2nd $ 997.60
" " 864 3rd $ 498.80
Unplaced ponies $ 140.00
Commission $ 1,282.00
Total ..... $ 6,410.00

Unplaced ponies, $20.00 each, tickets Nos. 1,152, 107, 476, 225, 412, 826, 1,188.
Mrs. Bernard's Rivergrass (late Priormuir) 157lb. (Mr. Zellensky) 1
Captain Oxspring's Lighting 146lb.....(Mr. Harriman) 2
Mr. John Peel's Yellow River, 162lb.....(Mr. Moller) 3
Mr. Pantomime's Peter Pan, 149lb..... (Mr. Davies) 0
Mr. Seth's Knockuh Leg, 148lb (Mr. Gibson) 0
Mrs. Dyer's Skylight, 151lb. (Mr. Charles) 0
Mr. Roda's Golden Jubilee, 145lb. .....(Mr. da Roza) 0
Messrs. Albert and Arnold's Dandy Kid, 143lb. (Mr. Soares) 0
Mr. B. Basto's Narcissus, 151lb. (Mr. Palmer) 0
Mr. A. H. Carroll's Clover Leaf (late White Cloud) 155lb. (Mr. Sewell) 0
A length and a half. Two lengths.
Time: 1.47. 2/5.

DIED FOR A WAGER.

GLOBE-TROTTER FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH.

Frank Fletcher, aged 50, a noted globe-trotter, was found frozen to death while on an expedition from San Francisco to Buenos Aires in the course of a walking tour round the world.

He undertook the tour for a wager of £2,000, and one of the trams was that he should sleep under the sky at all times.

While fulfilling this agreement Fletcher lost his life.

He went to sleep alongside a heystack, and during the night the weather turned bitterly cold. He had no protection, and so was frozen.

By the terms of the wager he was to walk the entire distance to Buenos Aires, and not use an automobile, train, or even a pair of roller skates.

Fletcher claimed that he had beaten the record of Edward Weston, and he hoped to establish a new record for walking atound the world.

Great inconvenience was caused on the Metropolitan Railway between Baker-street and Aldgate by the failure of the automatic signals during a busy period and only a limited service could be maintained from 7.30 till nearly noon.

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CYCLONE DISASTER.

NINETEEN PEOPLE KILLED.

NUMEROUS HOUSES COLLAPSE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

KONGMOON, Feb. 21.

The s.s. "On Lee" did not turn up from Hongkong this morning. A wireless message has been received by H.M.S. "Moth" which arrived here at noon yesterday, to the effect that an attempt to pirate the boat was nipped in the bud and that two men have been arrested (?) H.M.S. "Moth" left this morning for Whangmoon.

A cyclone has visited Shiulam where it is reported that over 200 houses have collapsed in the villages of Ho Tong, and Shu Mei and that nineteen persons were killed and many injured by the storm.

Several passengers were killed and more than 30 taken away for ransom when the Canton-Shekki ferry "Hang Shun" was pirated near Kong Hau, a few days ago.

Press-gangs have again been active in San Wui. Not only are coolies taken away but hawkers and even men in long coats on their way to pay New Year respects have been roped in. However, liberty has invariably been regained by foregoing money, etc.

Ex-Admiral Chan Chak is at Macao where he is to be married in a few days. He has been given command of the Fourth Army which is controlled by his lieutenant, Chan Sik-kin, during his absence. The latter took the salute at a march-past of over a thousand troops on the new parade ground at Pak-kai before the soldiers left for the East River front.

People are complaining about the inactivity of the Chinese naval boats at Pak-kai, comprising the gunboats "Kong Hon," "Kong Tai," and "Kong Kung," the patrol-boats "Kwong Hung" and "Kwong Ching" and about ten commandeered launches, all of which are in port. It is thought that they could be usefully employed in keeping the river passages clear of pirates.

Canton has ordered the San Wui magistrate to remit not less than $60,000 each month. A proposal by the Hok Shan magistrate to remove his court from Shu Ping back to the old district capital has been opposed by the inhabitants on the grounds that Shu Ping has become more prosperous since it was made the capital.

By 4 goals to 1, a football team from the oil companies' staffs defeated the Customs Club in a match on the new recreation ground.

WANTED.

FORMER SEAMEN'S UNION OFFICIAL.

Turbulent times at the beginning of 1922 when Hongkong was in the throes of the seamen's strike are recalled by a news item which appeared last night in a Canton vernacular paper.

At that time Chinese labouring classes were hero-worshipping Chan Ping-sang, president of the local Chinese Seamen's Union. When away in Canton during the strike, he was alleged to have been implicated in a shooting affair and later on ran foul of the Hongkong authorities.

Last night's paragraph stated that the Chinese police at Shanghai had issued a warrant for the arrest of Chan Ping-sang, "president of the Shanghai Chinese Seamen's Union" on a charge of intimidation and that the Canton police were asked to be on the look-out for him.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Eight cases of small-pox, all Chinese, one of diptheria, British, and two of enteric fever, Chinese, were notified yesterday.

A Meeting will be held in the Sanitary Board Room at noon on Tuesday, February 20, to discuss the forty years lease scheme.

Ottawa, February 20.—News has been received that Mr. MacKenzie is well. His release is expected forthwith. [A telegram from Ottawa, dated February 12, stated that the Government had asked the United States to assist it in securing the release of Mr. MacKenzie, a Canadian citizen captured by Mexican bandits a fortnight ago and held for ransom of two hundred thousand dollars.]

Peking, February 21.—The Cabinet this morning decided to abolish the post of High Military Commissioner for Amoy and Changchow at present held by Tsang Chih Ping, and to create instead a Military Commissionership at Amoy, to which General Cheng Yi is appointed. The Cabinet also appointed General Teng Peng-ying to be Military Commissioner at Kingchow (Hainan).

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

FOOD SUPPLY.

SNOW OBSTRUCTS POULTRY FROM WUCHOW.

Travelling traders from Wuchow have been bringing to Hongkong shipments of poultry which are very much smaller than usual.

Questioned at the local wholesale depôts, one of them said that a recent cold snap at the Wuchow countryside together with a fall of snow, had interfered with business in the markets and only reduced lots of livestock were on offer. Competition to buy was keen hence the jump in prices.

It was hinted that if the interior markets were not continued again shortly Hongkong wholesale prices might reach as high as $1 a catty.

NAM PAK HONG QUOTATIONS.

This morning's Nam Pak Hong quotations for "spot" goods, basis usual guild terms, were as follows:—

Java Sugar, average quality, per picul net—No. 24 rough white $15.90; No. 24 fine white 16.80; No. 18 rough brown 15.00.

Rice, average quality, per picul gross for net—No. 1 Siam long white, superior:—old crop $8.80; new crop 8.45; No. 1 Saigon long white 7.60.

Flour, per sack of 50 lbs.—Dayton $2.72; Banana 2.70; Kwan Tao 2.78; Sperry's XXX 3.49; White Greens 2.78; Nutmeg Orange 2.75; White Rose 2.68; C. & C. 2.82; Melon 2.81.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

LAST YEAR'S PROFIT.

The report of the Union Waterboat Co., Ltd., for presentation to the shareholders at the 19th ordinary annual meeting to be held at the Company's office on Thursday, March, 6, at 11 a.m., is as follows:—

The profit for the year, after writing off depreciation and including balance brought forward from last account, amounts to $57,951.46 which the Consulting Committee recommend applying as follows:—

Transfer to Special Repairs Fund.....	$ 5,000.00
Transfer to Insurance Fund.....	4,000.00
Transfer to New Waterboat Building Fund...	10,000.00
To pay a dividend of $1.25 per share on 27,723 shares which will absorb.....	34,653.75
Carry Forward to 1924...	4,297.71
	$ 57,951.46

Consulting Committee:—Since last meeting Mr. K. H. Kamei has resigned and Mr. Y. Yamamoto has joined the committee.

Auditor:—The Accounts under review have been audited by Mr. Bernard Brown, A.C.A.

COTTON DISPUTE.

LONDON, February 20.

In the absence of the card room operatives, the representatives from the joint conference held at Manchester to establish an agreed system of control for the American yarn sections of the industry, arrived at a deadlock on the scheme proposed.

The conference has been indefinitely adjourned and it is feared the dispute may lead to a lockout in the cotton trade.—*Reuter.*

NEW JAPANESE LOAN.

TOKYO, February 21.

Replying to the critics of the recent loan transactions, Baron Shoda, addressing the Bankers' Club, declared that Japan's application to the world's financial markets necessitated by her need of money for reconstruction purposes, which demanded an expenditure of Yen 1,500,000,000, of which Yen 1,400,000,000 must be raised by domestic and foreign loans, and Yen 700,000,000 required by the end of 1925, drew attention to Japan's adverse balance of trade, which by March is expected to total Yen 400,000,000 and also to the high money rates now prevailing in the world's markets. He paid a tribute to the sympathy of the lending countries, which was an important asset in the success of the loan, giving as an instance the assistance rendered by Mr. Hughes, Mr. Mellon, Mr. Gary and Mr. Norman of New York, and the London banks. Courtesy of the *Daily Bulletin*.

GERMAN CAPITAL.

PARIS, February 21.

The second committee of experts has reached an estimate on the amount of German capital sent abroad and will now determine means for repatriating it.—*Reuter.*

PIRATES CAUGHT.

FORTY-ONE SENTENCED TO BE SHOT.

JAIL FOR TWO WOMEN.

It will be remembered that the steam launch "Kongtak" left Hongkong on January 20 and was subsequently captured by pirates the same evening at Hau Hoi beyond Castle Peak. The following day the launch was sighted by the Chinese Revenue Launch "Paktau" in Heung-Chau Bay, the officer in charge of which called upon the steam launch to stop. After a fight the launch was sunk and over forty men and two women were removed and handed over to the Chinese Authorities to be dealt with.

A communication has been received by His Majesty's Consul-General at Canton from Civil Governor of Kwangtung that forty-one pirates have been sentenced to be shot and two women have been imprisoned for ten years, while investigations are continuing in the case of two other men, including the Captain of the launch.

FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON F.C. TEAMS.

The following have been selected to play for the Kowloon F.C. to-morrow:—

2nd round Hongkong Shield v. H.M.S. "Ambrose," at Kowloon, 4.15:—Duncan; Wheeler and Knight; Howarth, McKelvie and Wheeler; Mason, Turner, Roberts, Nash and Muir. Reserves: Latham and Millard.

2nd Division Hongkong League v. Club de Recreio, at Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.:—Rasmussen; Ollier and Urquhart; A. W. Brown, Morton and Randle; W. H. Brown, Vickars, Spary, Hast and Haylock. Reserves: Taylor, Chapman and Shuster.

BUSINESS ENTERPRISE.

NEW DEPARTMENT STORE.

WANCHAI'S PROGRESS.

Evidence of development in the Wanchai district is forthcoming from an announcement made in Chinese business circles that a new department store is to be established shortly at Lee Tung Street. As may be commonly known in the property market Mr. Lee Hy-san is the owner of the houses in that street which once bore his name but was changed to Lee Tung, and he is said to be the founder of the new store which will cater for the wants of the ever-increasing Chinese population in Wanchai and further East. At the beginning the store is to have a frontage of five shops with possible additions and the stock-in-trade of the usual department store will be carried.

It is also interesting to learn that Cheungchau (Dumbell) Island also possesses its own department store. Although boasting only modest dimensions as compared to the Hongkong giants, it is getting to be very popular on the island of fishermen. This store was opened some months ago.

QUARRY BAY A.D.C.

INTERESTING COMEDY NEXT WEEK.

The Quarry Bay A.D.C. will present "Ann"—a comedy in three acts by Lechmere Worrall—in the Taikoo Club on Wednesday next in aid of the Ministering Children's League.

The story of "Ann" deals with the trials of a rising young novelist whose first novel has become one of the most widely discussed books of the year. An American woman critic "Ann" attacks him in a newspaper and roundly slates him on his "appalling ignorance" of woman. The novelist—an extremely shy and self-conscious Englishman then decides to learn more about the opposite sex in order that he may write better. His proposal to a Canon's daughter, by an extraordinary method, his acceptance, the endeavours of Ann to interview him, the subsequent breaking off of his engagement and the final awakening are among the most diverting moments of the play.

The Comedy was first produced in June 1912 at the Criterion Theatre, London, by Sir Charles Wyndham and Miss Mary Moore and afterwards transferred to the Court Theatre, London.

The Novel "Ann" by Edgar Frere—author of "Rebels"—is an adaptation of the play and is dedicated to the original producers.

The Quarry Bay A.D.C's production will be in the hands of Mr. W. Robertson and the cast among old favourites will include some new talent. An amateur Orchestra will supply the incidental music.

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"CITY OF CANTERBURY"	21st February	Marseilles, London, etc.
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"ALIPORE"	5,273	29th Feb. at Noon.	S'apore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
"KARMALA"	9,098	8th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	11th Mar.	S'apore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
"NALDERA"	15,923	22nd Mar.	B'bay, M'lles, London & Antwerp
"PADUA"	5,907	23rd Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"SICILIA"	6,813	28th Mar.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KHYBER"	9,914	5th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"NELLORE"	6,808	9th Apr.	B'bay, Marseilles, L'don & A'werp
"CHINA"	7,958	19th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SOUDAN"	6,696	26th Apr.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KALYAN"	9,118	3rd May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"PLASSY"	7,426	17th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,962	24th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHIVA"	9,087	31st May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	14th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MOREA"	10,911	28th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KARMALA"	9,098	12th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	26th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"TANDA"	6,956	26th Feb. at 4 p.m.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TAKADA"	6,949	17th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TORILLA"	5,205	4th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"JAPAN"	6,952	13th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"EASTERN"	4,600	5th Mar.	Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
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Butcher Meat.

	February 15, 1924. Cts.	June 1918. Cts.	June 1914. Cts.
Beef Sirloin.—Mai Long Pa ... lb.	30	24	12
,, Prime Cut ... ... ,,	30	24	12
,, Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk. ,,	24	23	20
,, Roast,—Shiu ,, ,,	30	24	21
,, Breast,—Ngau Nam ,, ,,	21	20	15
,, Soup,—Tong Yuk ... ... ,,	15	20	15
,, Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa ... ,,	29	24	22
,, Steak Sirloin,—Ngau Lau ,,	35	30	25
,, Sausages, —Ngau Chaong ,,	26	26	20
Bullock's Brains,—Ngau Nó per set	12	10	12
Tongue, fresh,—Ngau Li each	60	50	60
Tongue, corned,—Ham Ngau Li each ... cents.	69		—
,, Head,—Ngau Tau... each	1.60	1.00	1.20
,, Heart,—Ngau Sam... lb.	16	13	14
,, Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin ,,	25	20	15
,, Feet,—Ngau Keuk...each	12	10	12
,, Kidneys.—Ngau Yiu ,,	12	10	12
,, —Ngau Mei ... ,,	21	20	22
,, Liver,—Ngau Kon... lb.	16	13	14
,, Tripe (undressed), Ngau To lb.	8	6	7
Calves' Head and Feet,—Ngau-tsai-tau-keuk ... ... set	$1.20	1.00	1.00
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Pei Kwai lb.	42	26	25
,, Leg,—Yeung Pei ... ... ,,	43	26	25
,, Shoulder.—Yeung Shau ,,	37	24	24
,, Saddle, —Yeung On Yuk ,,	40	16	—
Pig's Chitlings.—Chu Chong ,,	35	25	27
Brains,—Chu Ne ... ... per set	3	12	12
Waist,—Chu Keuk ... ... lb.	18	15	—
Fry,—Chu Chap ... ... ,,	37	15	18
Head,—Chu Tau ... ... ,,	24	20	
,, Heart,—Chu Sam ... ... each	15	10	10
,, Kidneys,—Chu Yiu... ... each	12	10	8
,, Liver,—Chu Kon ... ... lb.	43	30	34
Pork Chop,—Chu Pai Kwai ... ,,	36	25	23
,, Leg,—Chu Pei... ... ... ,,	32	28	27
,, Loin,—Chu Hau Tau ... ,,	18		—
,, Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau... ,,	22	21	—
Sheep's Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau-Keuk... ... ... set	80	60	70
Heart,—Yeung Sam ... each	12	9	7
Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu each	16	12	10
,, Liver,—Yeung Kon ... lb.	40	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order,—Chu Tsai ,,	25	25	28
Suet, Beef,—Shang Ngau Yau ... ,,	30	20	18
,, Mutton.—Shang Yeung Yau ,,	43	26	24
Veal,—Ngau Tsai Yuk... ... ... ,,	34	20	19
Sausages,—Ngau Tsai Cheong No. 1 ... lb.	36	20	20
	32		—

Fish.

Barbel,—Ka Yu... ... ... lb.	28	19	24
Bream,—Pin Yu... ... ... ,,	24	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish.—Hoi Sin Yu ,,	22	18	16
Carp,—Li Yu	30	16	27
Catfish.—Chik Yu	36	12	8
Codfish,—Mun Yu	20	20	25
Crabs,—Hai...	40	23	26
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu ... ... ,,	24	16	2
Dab,—Sha Mang Yu ... ... ,,	50	22	15
Dace,—Wong Mei Lap ... ... ,,	16	10	9
Dog Fish,—Tit To Sha ... ... ,,	12	10	8
Eels, Conger,—Hoi Man ... ... ,,	28	16	
,, Fresh water,—Tam Shui Yu ,,	24	20	18
,, Yellow.—Wong Sin...	42	26	30
Frogs,—Tin Kai... ... ... ,,	55	22	25
Garoupa,—Shek Pan... ... ... ,,	70	40	30
Gudgeon,—Pak Kap Ya ... ... ,,	28	15	15
Herrings,—Tso Pak ... ... ,,	30	22	18
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kap... ,,	24	18	23
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu ... ... ,,	30	22	15
Loach,—Wu Yu ... ... ,,	55	22	24
Lobsters,—Lung Ha ... ... ,,	50	32	21
Mackerel,—Chi Yu ... ... ,,	32	20	26
Monk Fish,—Moug Yu ... ... ,,	42	22	29
Mullet,—Tsai Yu... ... ... ,,	34	18	2
Oysters,—Shang Ho ... ... ,,	30	16	22
Parrot Fish,—Kai Kung Yu ... ,,	26	14	9
Perch,—Tan Lo ... ... ,,	32	20	15
Pike,—Fa Pau Fong ... ... ,,	16	16	9
Plaice,—Pan Yu... ... ... ,,	45	28	14
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong ... ,,	40	26	29
Pomfret, White, Pak Chong ...	45	36	30
Prawns,—Ming Ha... ... ... ,,	80	36	45
Ray,—Pai Pa Sha ... ... ,,	10	10	14
Rock Fish,—Shek Kau Kung ... ,,	22	18	18
Roach,—Chun Yu ... ... ,,	36	22	26
Salmon,—Ma Yau... ... ... ,,	50	36	30
Shark,—Sha Yu ... ... ,,	12	8	10
Skate,—Po Yu ... ... ,,	16	10	10
Shrimps,—Ha ... ... ,,	55	28	35
Snapper,—Lap Yu ... ... ,,	48	36	30
Soles,—Tat Sha Yu ... ... ,,	30	26	26
Tench,—Wan Yu ... ... ,,	40	22	16
Turbot,—Tso Hau Yu ... ... ,,	38	19	22
Tortoise, small fresh water,—Kwai Yu	1.99	40	...

Poultry.

	February 15, 1924. Cts.	June 1918 Cts.	June 1914 Cts.
Chicken,—Kai ... ... lb.	60	30	31
Capons, Small,—Sin Kai ... ... ,,	55	28	30
Capons, Large,—Sin Kai ... ... ,,	60	28	30
Duck,—Ap ... ... ,,	35	22	23
Doves,—Pan Kau ... Each ... ,, ...		—	—
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (cooking) per doz	26	16	—
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (fresh) ...per doz.	30	25	20
Fowls, Canton,—Kai... ... ... lb.	75	36	34
Fowls, Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai ,,	45	28	—
Geese,—Ngo ... ... ,,	40	24	24
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kap...each	55	30	
,, Hollow,—Hoi Hau Pak Kap each	25	23	
Turkeys, Cock,—Fo Kai Kung lb.	65	60	5
Turkeys, Hen,—Fo Kai Na ... ,,	60	55	45
Snipe,—Sha Tsui... ... ...each	...	22	—
Pheasant,—Shan Kai... ... ... ,,	1.10	—	—
Quail,—Om Chun ... ... ,,	30	—	2
Partridges,—Che Ku ... ... ,,	95	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds,—Hang Yan ... ... lb.	60	25	—
Apples, (California),—Kam Shan Ping Ko ,,	24	24	—
Bananas, (bride's), Macao,—Sam Heung Chiu ,,	5	4	—
Canambola,—Yeung To		12	—
Cocoanuts,—Ye Tse ... ... each	11	10	10
Lemons, China,—Ling Mung... lb.	10	7	—
Lemons, (American),—Kam Shan Ling Mung ... each	6	6	6
Lichees, Dried, (small stone),—Tai Chi Kon lb.	28	25	3
Oranges, (Canton), Sweet— Shan-sheng Tim Chang lb. ...	12	—	10
Oranges, Tim Chang	18	—	15
Pears, (Canton), Cooking,—Sha Li ,,	12	...	...
Peanuts,—Fa Shang ... ... ,,	12	10	12
Persimmons, Large,—Hung Tse ,, ...		12	...
Plantain,—Tai Chiu ... ... ,,	5	3	4
Pomelo, Siam,—Tsim Lo Yau ...each	12	12	6
Walnuts,—Hop To ... ... lb.	16		15
Grapes,—Po Tai Tsz ... ... ,,	36		—

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes,—Ah Chi Cheuk ...each	10	—	8
Beans, Sprout,—Ngo Tso... ... lb.	5		7
,, Long,—Tau Kok ... ,,	13	8	—
Beet Root,—Hung Tsoi Tau ... ,, each		8	6
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa ... ... ,,	8	—	—
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yun Kwa ,,	6	5	6
,, Red,—Hung Kee... ... ,,	6	5	6
Cabbage Chinese, (common),—Bai Tsoi ,,	8	5	12
,, (Shanghai)—Ye Tsoi ... ,,	10	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kan Shan ,, ...		—	9
Cauliflower (Large),—Ye Tsoi Fa each	18	—	—
(Medium), ,, ,,	15	—	—
(Small), ,, ,,	12	—	—
Carrots,—Ham Shan... ... ... lb.	6	6	6
Celery Chinese,—Tong Kan Tsoi ,,		10	8
Chillies, Dried,—Kon Lat Chiu ,,	50	25	5
,, Red,—Hung Fa Chiu ... ,,	15	10	6
,, Green,—Ching Lat Chiu ,,	14	8	12
Curry Stuff, English,—Ka Li Chi Lau lb.	10	10	10
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa... ...each	5	2	—
Garlic,—Suu Tau ... ... lb.	8	5	...
Ginger young,—Sau Tse Keung ,,	10	7	...
Ginger, old,—Lo Keung	10	10	...
Horseradish, Shanghai,—Lik Kau ,,	30	45	...
Indian Corn,—Shuk Mai ... ...each	...	6	4
Lettuce,—Yeung Shang Tsoi ... lb.	5	1	
Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai ... lb.	10	6	6
,, Mandarin,—Kwai Lam Ma Tai ... ,,	12	10	8
Mushrooms, Fresh,—Shang Tso Ku lb.	....	...	3
Okroes ... ... lb.	6	1	10
Onions, Bombay,—Yeung Chung Tau lb.	6	3	3
Onions, Green,—Shang Chung lb.	6	4	8
Onions, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Chung Tau ,,	6	6	...
Parsley,—Kan Tsoi ... ... ,,	30	60	6
Potato, Sweet,—Fan Shu ... ... ,,	5	3	
,, Japanese,—Yat Pun Shu Tsai lb.	5	3	—
,, American,—Fa Ki Shu Tsai lb.	7	6	10
Pumpkin,—Tung Kwa ... ... lb.	4	3	4
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsai ... ,,	5		...
Rhubarb (Fresh),—Tai Wong ...	5	...	40
Shallots,—Kong Chong Tau ... ,,	6	6	8
Spinach,—Yin Tsoi ... ... ,,	6	4	
Tomatoes,—Fan Ke ... ... ,,	7	7	7
Taros,—Wu Tau ... ... ,,	4	8	
Turnips, Pwuti, (Long),—Lo Pak ,,	5	4	
Vegetable Marrow,—Tsit Kwa... ,,	...	4	...
Water Cress,—Sai Yeung Tsoi...	8	15	...
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Bangkok via Swatow	KWAISANG	Tues.,	26th Feb., 10 a.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Tues.,	26th Feb., 1 p.m.
Tsingtau via Swatow & S'hai	WINGSANG	Wed.,	27th Feb., 7 a.m.
Shanghai via Swatow	TINGSANG	Fri.,	29th Feb., 7 a.m.
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The B. F. s.s. "Leonedon" left Port Said on Feb. 15 for Amsterdam, London and Antwerp.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Kobe on Feb. 20 at 4.30 p.m. left Kobe to-day at 6 a.m. and is due at Nagasaki to-day.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Ryujin Maru" left Moji on Feb. 18 and will arrive here to-morrow.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Pres. Grant" which is due at Hongkong to-morrow arrived at Yokohama on Feb. 15. She has on board 376 sacks of U.S. Mail for Hongkong.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Yokohama on Feb. 15, a.m. left Yokohama on Feb. 16, p.m. and is due at Vancouver on Feb. 25.

The B. F. s.s. "Demodocus" for London, Rotterdam and Antwerp left Shanghai on Feb. 20 for this port and is due here to-morrow. The vessel will be despatched at 4 p.m. on Feb. 25.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Yokohama Maru" (American Passenger Line) left Shanghai for Hongkong on Feb. 20 and is expected here on Feb. 25.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Haruna Maru" (European Passenger due) left Singapore for Hongkong on Feb. 20 and is expected here on Feb 25.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Yokohama on Feb. 19 at 8 a.m. left Yokohama on Feb. 19 at 3 p.m. and is due at Hongkong on Feb. 26 at 10 a.m.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Muroran Maru" (Bombay Line) left Kobe for Hongkong via Moji and Shanghai on Feb. 20 and is expected here on Feb. 29.

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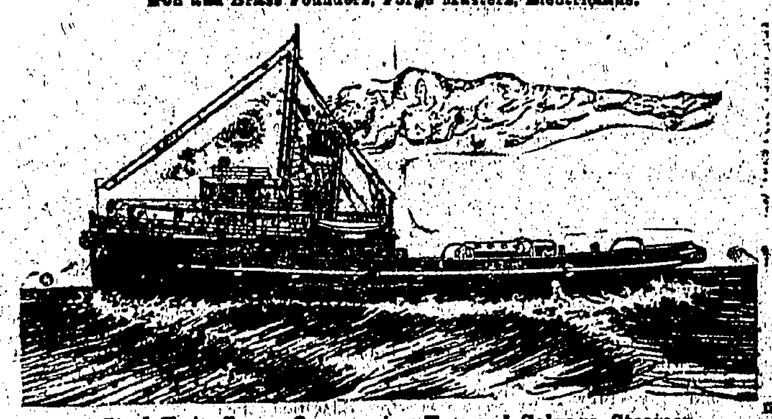

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With the arrest and confession of Tsunajiro Naruse, a farmer residing in the neighbourhood of Nagoya, the mystery has been solved of the attempted wrecking of the train which was conveying Opposition members to Tokyo on January 31.

The wrecking of the train precipitated the Diet dissolution.

It appears that Naruse was jilted by a girl on the night of January 30, and he left for home in a state of despair and anger.

He saw a train rumble past, and decided to wreck a train to relieve his wounded feelings.

He laboured nightily, placing an obstruction on the track, and then hid to watch results.

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTURES.

Per A.O.L. s.s. "Pres. Jefferson" on Feb. 22:—Mr L. Cando, Miss D. Ros, Mr L. G. Husar, Mr H. Diehr, Mrs G. R. Douglas, Mr A. S. Clark, Mr and Mrs D. E. Ross, Dr. C. F. S. Lincoln, Mrs C. F. McRae, Misses G. Lindley, A. Lindley, Mr K. O. Hansen, Mr J. G. W. Kinr, J. Kay, Mr J. H. Dollar, Mr A. B. Dollar, Messrs P. H. Bordwell, F. O. Cudlipp, L. W. Strawn, Mrs H. A. Enswrth. Mrs E. F. Miller, Mr C. Pitke, Mr and Mrs H. B. Fowler, Mr and Mrs C. W. Haislip, Miss D. Haislip, Mr F. W. Fuller, Mr and Mrs C. S. V. Branch, Mr A. E. Edgecomb, Mr A. G. Koupf, Miss E. B. Hitching, Mr R. R. Agger, Miss T. McDonald, Miss M. McDonald, Mr M. Frieder, Mr E. S. Beyer, Misses J. Saleur, L. Fritz Gerald, Messrs J. W. Hausserman, A. E. Fearnley, Miss M. Kahn, Mr H. D. Kneedler, Mrs L. Webber, Mrs F. S. Walton, Misses A. E. Pratt, E. C. J. Pratt, Mr J. Ferreri, Misses V. M. Gibbz, A. de Saussere, Mr F. F. Townsend, Mrs M. Marchand, Mr and Mrs Cyrus Wood, Miss M. Boyd, Mr and Mrs E. W. Bauckham, Capt J. Hill, Mr M. H. Swan, Mr and Mrs Freweu, Mrs Owyang, Misses B. Owyang, L. Owyang, Mr and N. Mumper, Messrs W. A. Lian, N. Georges, G. Gassoum, N. E. Balesh, B Riddle, J. W. Barber, H. O. Luk, Miss H. M. Smith, Messrs H. W. Bay, H. A. Evans and C. Arthur.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The B. F. s.s. "Calchas" arrived at Boston on Feb 21.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Nagasaki to day at 7.30 a.m. left Nagasaki to-day at 1.30 p.m. and is due at Shanghai to-morrow at 9 p.m. She will leave Shanghai on Feb. at 2 p.m.

Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation are reminded that the Bank's meetings take place to-morrow at 11.30 a.m. at the City Hall.

Mr. W. T. Rushton, founder and for many years head of Rushton's Brewery Limited, Birmingham, left estate of the gross value of £429,590. The will of Mr. J. D. Williams, chairman of the Rhondda Valley and Ely Breweries Limited, has been proved at £152,997 gross.

In his speech to the United Provinces Legislative Council, Sir W. Marris, the Governor, welcomed the Swarajists as a new element in the Council. The Government would face the new Legislature on the assumption that all the members realised that the path to self-government proceeded along constitutional lines.

SIR RICHARD MUIR.

CAREER OF A FAMOUS CROWN COUNSEL.

Sir Richard Muir, whose death after a very brief illness is announced, was born in Greenock 67 years ago. Before and for some time after he was called to the Bar he worked as a journalist.

He was called to the Bar in 1884. For some years he made comparatively little progress in his profession, but at last his unremitting industry won its reward, and he was made counsel for the Treasury at the North London Sessions. A little later he was appointed counsel for the Treasury at the Old Bailey and senior counsel in 1901. By virtue of that position he took a leading part in most of the great criminal trials of the past 16 years.

It was the trial of Dr. Crippen, who was condemned to death and executed in 1910 for poisoning his wife, that first made Mr. Muir—he was not knighted until 1918—a notable public figure. His marshalling of the evidence in that case and his cross-examination of Crippen—deadly in accuracy—established his fame.

Scrupulous Fairness.

He prosecuted Stinie Morrison, who was convicted of the murder of Leon Beron on Clapham Common; he prosecuted Seddon, who poisoned his lodger, Miss Barrow, with arsenic extracted from flypapers. As recently as last year he prosecuted Mason, who was found guilty of the murder of Dickey, the taxicab driver, at Brixton. He appeared in the case when Lord Alfred Douglas was sent to prison for libelling Mr. Winston Churchill.

It cannot be said of Sir Richard that he fought for convictions. He was always scrupulously fair. Long years as a Crown prosecutor had perhaps given him a cold, unflinching manner, and he certainly had on occasions a sceptical and penetrating glance; but he was a man who concealed beneath the surface much sensibility and kindness. In his work he never forgot that the prosecuting counsel exercised the functions of a minister of Justice—not to fight for a conviction as though it were a personal matter, but to investigate and elicit the truth.

Sitting in the Court of Criminal Appeal, the Lord Chief Justice said the practice of the law, especially the criminal law, was the poorer through being deprived of Sir Richard's excellent accuracy, industry, patience, and knowledge.

Tributes to Sir Richard were also paid at the Oil Bailey by Mr. Justice Greer and Sir Ernest Wild, the Recorder.

Careers in Industry and Commerce formed the subject of discussion at a meeting of the Association for Education in Industry and Commerce, under the chairmanship of the president, Viscount Burnham.

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No more eloquent token of respect could have been paid to the memory of the late Rt. Rev. Dr. Domitico Pozzoni than in the vast throng of mourners who attended the Roman Catholic Cathedral and the Cemetery this morning to pay their last homage and take part in the final rites.

Yesterday morning the last remains were removed to the Roman Catholic Cathedral to lie in state before the main altar. During the day hundreds of people came to pay their deep respects and vigil was kept all night long.

The service in the Cathedral was specially impressive, conducted by the Bishop of Macao, Bishop da Costa Nunes, assisted by the Procurator General of the French Mission, Very Rev. Fr. L. Robert, the Procurator General of the Spanish Mission, Rev. Fr. Noval; the Chinese Pastor, Rev. Fr. Paul Lu, and other priests.

Headed by a troop of Boy Scouts, the solemn procession of mourners extended for over a mile and in various parts of the city, traffic had to be stopped to allow their progress. Virtually the whole of the Catholic community was present. There were members of all creeds in the procession, all silent with grief over the loss of one of the Colony's most highly respected men. Among them were Government officials, including Sir Claud Severn and Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Mr. G. St. Lawrence, representing H. E. the Governor, Lieut.-Col. W. N. Nicholson, C.M.G., representing the Army, Pay Lieut. B. O'F. Gregory, representing the Navy, Mr. Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University and Mr. Teesdale Mackintosh, the Registrar, the Lord Bishop of Victoria, Dr. Duppuy, the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., Mr. J. R. Wood, Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Mr. E. Ralphs, Senhor. A. L. Cerveira de Albuquerque, Portuguese Consul General, representing H. E. the Governor of Macao, Senator Francisco A. Silva, representing the Macao Government, Commander Carrara, representing the Italian Consul-General, members of the Army and Navy and a fully representative gathering of civilians.

After the Solemn Requiem Mass, the cortege proceeded to the Cemetery. The casket, beautifully enshrined with a mass of flowers, was carried by sailors and officers of the Italian gunboat "Calabria" who pulled the hearse to the Cemetery. At the Cemetery, the last remains of the late Bishop were reverently laid to rest in the Chapel where candles were burning in accordance with the Roman Catholic creed. The ceremony was simple and after a few minutes, the mourners filed out of the narrow gate at the entrance. It was one of the most strikingly impressive ceremonies seen in the Colony for many years.

Wreaths were sent by the following:—H.E. The Governor, Sir Claud Severn, Cerveira de Albuquerque, Consul General of Portugal, The Court of the University of Hongkong. The Jewish Community, Banque de l'Indo Chine, Ho Fook, Ho Kwong, Pedro v. Botelho, D'Almada and Mason, Mrs. A. F. Ramsey and family, Mr and Mrs U. Gonella, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. M. R. de Souza, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. B. Silva, Mr. and Mrs. Anicet Becker, Mrs. J. R. Braga, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Blackmore, C. E. Gay, Daphne and Patsy Nicol, Mr. and Mrs. William, F. Carroll, Apostolado de Oraçao, Jose Roza Pereira, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilkinson and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Barton, B. Young and family, Officers and Crew of R.N. "Calabria," St. Raphael's Society, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Club de Recreio, Club de Lusitano, Confraria de Santissimo, St. Joseph's College Old Boys' Association, Catholic Union Club, A. P. de S. Mutuos, The "Rock," Fred Bunji, The Pupils of Kailap School, P. H. Murray and family, Lewis Guy Woo, W. G. Fitzgibbon, J. P. Braga, Lieut. Norari, H.I.M.S. "Calabria" and many others.

FANLING GOLF.

The Bogey Pool competition, play at Fanling on February 16 and 17 was won by Mr. E. H. O'Farrell with a score of 1. up.

Peking, February 21.—In Chinese circles it is believed that the conference to be shortly opened at Loyang will lead to important developments. The subjects for discussion at the conference will be mediation between leaders, plans for the election of a Vice-President, co-operation in the forthcoming Parliamentary election and plans for a proposed expedition against Canton.—*Reuter.*

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PROSPECTS BEHIND THE COUNTER.

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Miss Burlton added:

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Mr. F. W. Goodenough, chairman of the British Commercial Gas Association, said that employers did not want teachers to send them boys and girls as "the finished article," but they did want them fired with ambition and a determination to be "triers," and imbued with the belief that in the ranks of industry and commerce they can make themselves first-class draftsmen, clerks, salesmen, or managers. He continued:

If educationists—administrators as well as teachers and trainers—knew anything like as much of the inside of industry (on its human as well as its material side) as of the inside of books, they would be of vastly more service to their pupils, and their pupils' parents, when it came to starting the young people on their life's work. There should be a comradeship between school teacher and employer.

BOYS WHO SUCCEED.

Major T. Knowles, staff trainer of Boots Pure Drug Co., said that no subject in the world had been so much experimented on as the boy, and added:

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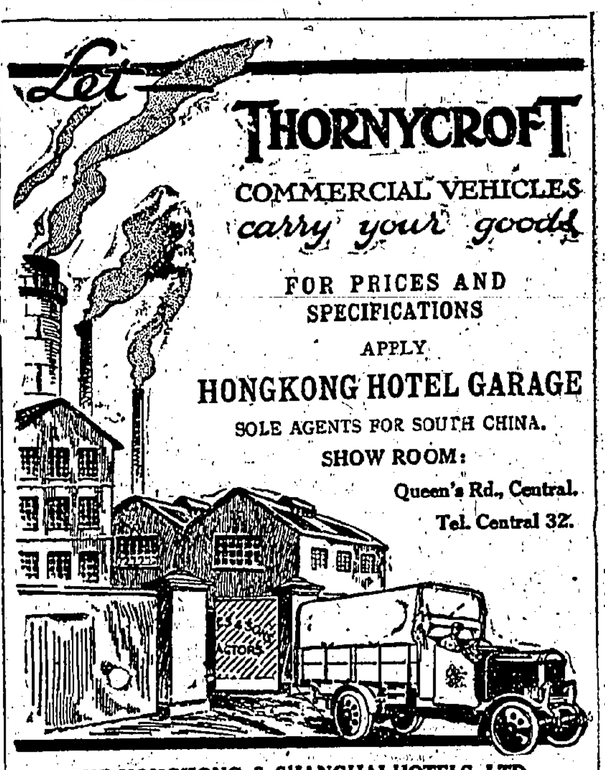
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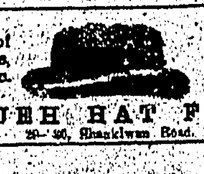
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SMUGGLING.

STORIES OE FIERCE CONFLICTS.

The picturesque story of contraband is very entertainingly told by Lord Teignmouth and Mr. Charles G. Harper in "The Smugglers" (Palmer, 2 vols., 42s.) Many old prints and pictures accompany the authors' lively descriptions, which are supported by "secret and confidential documents of the eighteenth century" placed at Lord Teignmouth's disposal by the Admiralty and since destroyed.

The earliest conflicts between smugglers and the Government were concerned not with evading the high Customs duties on spirits, tea, laces, and tobacco but with the State's effort to prevent English wool in the interests of the weaving industry from being taken out of the kingdom.

At this period (1688) Calais—then lost to England—alone imported within two years 40,000 packs of wool from Kent and Sussex; and the Romney Marsh men not only sold their own wool in their illicit manner, but bought other from up country, ten or twenty miles inland, and impudently shipped it off.

When the foreign demand for our wool fell off the smugglers turned their attention to imports.

At about this time it was estimated by reliable authorities that 7,000,000lb. of tea were smuggled into the country annually, while the actual sales of the East India Company, which enjoyed a monopoly, amounted to under 6,000,000lb.

PRISON BROKEN OPEN.

The smugglers of Kent and Sussex were "by far the most formidable of all the 'free traders' in England, and were not easily to be suppressed."

There was no end to the daring of the "free traders."

On October 7, 1747, 60 armed smugglers broke open the Custom House at Poole and carried away upwards of 4,000lb. weight of tea, lately seized by the Swift, privateer.

Later in the year the gaol at Maidstone was broken open in the evening by "twelve persons armed and disguised," who wounded the goalers and rescued four notorious smugglers.

As late as 1828 a "determined and blood-stained struggle" took place at Bo-Peep, between Hastings and Bexhill.

The smugglers drew up in regular line formation, and a desperate fight resulted. The smugglers fought with such determination and courage that the Blockade men were repulsed and one, Quartermaster Collins, was killed. In the first volley fired by the blockade an old smuggler named Smithurst was killed; his body was found next morning with his "bat" still grasped in his hand, the stout staff almost hacked to pieces by the cutlasses and bayonets of the Blockade men.

The "bat" was the stout oak staff, about 6ft. long, which the smugglers carried.

UNPOPULAR COASTGUARDS.

The strongest ally the smugglers had was the sympathy or, in some cases, the fear of the country people.

A Sussex parson who, in 1818, wrote a pamphlet against smuggling says:

I was once asked by an inhabitant of a village near the sea whether I thought there was any harm in smuggling. Upon my replying that I not only thought there was a great deal of harm in it but a great deal of sin, he exclaimed. "Then the Lord have mercy upon the county of Sussex, for who is there that has not had a tub [of brandy]?"

So unpopular was the coast blockade that when it was broken up in 1831 the newly formed Coastguardmen, "officers and men alike found the greatest difficulty in obtaining lodgings."

That is why the earliest stations of the Coastguard were formed chiefly out of old hulks and other vessels condemned for sea-going purposes.

TOMBSTONE COPYRIGHT.

JUDGE REJECTS A SCULPTOR'S CLAIM.

At Marylebone County Court Charles Roy Swinstead, a decorative artist, of North-road, Park-lane, W., sued R. Underwood and Sons, monumental sculptors, West Hampstead, N.W., for £20 damages for infringing the copyright of a tombstone design.

Mr. Swinstead said he designed a "wing" tombstone for a Miss Dawkins who had it erected in Hampstead Cemetery. He regarded the design as unique and he gave an undertaking to Miss Dawkins that it should not be reproduced. Shortly afterwards it was found that a tombstone exactly similar in design had been erected in the same cemetery about 20 yards away with Messrs. Underwood's name on it.

Judge Scully held that there was nothing to indicate the copyright of Mr. Swinstead's design, and gave judgment for Underwood and Sons with costs.

THE EARL OF ATHLONE.

NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF SOUTH AFRICA.

In connection with the recent *Reuter* message reporting the arrival of the Earl of Athlone in South Africa, where he takes up the appointment of Governor-General and Comander-in-Chief of the Union, in succession to Prince Arthur of Connaught, whose period of office has expired, it may be recalled that in May 1914, the King approved the appointment of Lord Athlone (then H.S.H. Prince Alexander of Teck) to be Governor-General of [illegible] in succession to the Duke of Connaught. When the war broke out, however, the Duke of Connaught patriotically consented to an extension of his term of office. When his extension teminated in 1916, Lord Athlone was on active service, and his Majesty was pleased to excuse him from taking up the office of Governor-General.

Lord Athlone is the brother of the Queen and of the Marquess of Cambridge, being the third son of Princess Mary Adelaide, Duchess of Teck, sister of the late Duke of Cambridge, who was for so long Commander-in-Chief of the Army. He is thus the King's brother-in-law and also his second cousin. Born at Kensington Palace on April 14, 1874, he was sent to Eton and passed thence into Sandhurst. Having been gazetted to the 7th Hussars, he joined his regiment in India in 1895, but it was soon transferred to Natal and was employed in the Matabeleland operations. On one occasion the Prince rendered important service when Colonel Baden-Powell (as he then was) was attacking a strong position. In his "Matabele Campaign" Sir R. Baden-Powell wrote that "the Prince never spared himself where there was work to be done." Prince Alexander was among the first to go out to the South African War, serving with the Inniskilling Dragoons up to the surrender of Bloemfontein.

In the European war he served throughout, being twice mentioned in dispatches and receiving the C.M.G. He was at one time head of the British Mission with the Belgian Army, and G.S.O.I. In 1917 he was created Earl of Athlone and Viscount Trematon in the peerage of the United Kingdom, abandoning the titles of Serene Highness and Prince and the name of Teck.

Lord Athlone married in 1904 Princess Alice, daughter of the late Duke of Albany and cousin both of King George and of the Queen of the Netherlands. They have two children, Lady May Cambridge, born in 1906, and Viscount Trematon, born in 1907.

A CONVICT'S SECRET.

OFFER TO RESTORE £40,000 DIAMOND NECKLACE.

A notorious convict now serving a sentence at Parkhurst prison, Isle of Wight, has made a dramatic claim for a reward amounting to several thousands of pounds offered for the recovery of a £40,000 necklace stolen in sensational circumstances at the Savoy Hotel three years ago, when Mrs. Mango, a wealthy Greek woman, was taking part in the New Year's Eve festivities.

Now, after the lapse of three years, the convict, who has several aliases, has announced to the officials that the missing necklace is safe and intact and that he can show them where it lies under lock and key. The convict has offered, "subject to certain formalities," to release the necklace in return for the amount of the reward offered by the insurance brokers, who, after the loss of the necklace, paid Mrs. Mango £38,140.

An amazing situation arises, but it may be taken for granted that the claim of the convict will be investigated so far as he is willing to impart information.

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THE EIGHTH WONDER.

SENSATIONAL FIRE WALKING IN FIJI.

One of the wonders of the world is the spectacle of the natives of the island of Benga, in the Fiji group, walking on fire. It has not yet been ascertained how these people can walk on the almost red hot stones, and escape any hurt at all.

One morning recently a party of residents and tourists set out in the little steamer "Motusa" to see the Benga natives give an exhibition of fire walking. This privilege is only available once every three or four years, and when the opportunity offers is eagerly availed of. Hundreds of natives were found waiting to welcome the visitors, who were carried ashore, and on reaching terra firma found the rara or village square surrounded by neat stalls, quite like a civilised bazaar. It then appeared that the natives were really holding a bazaar to raise funds to build a school for their children. After lunch the crowd started for the fire-walking site, which was found to be quite modern. In a small amphitheatre there was a hole some 12 or 14 feet in diameter filled with large stones. On top of the stones was heaped a huge pile of kindling and firewood, which was set on fire and burned vigorously. The hot ashes were carefully raked off with long poles, until not one ash remained. The natives seemed very particular about this part. When all was ready there was a wild shout, and from some bushes, where they were hidden, dashed some eight or nine natives, gay in their best gala or meke dress.

Amid great excitement they went to the hot oven, for it could have cooked an ox, so hot were the stones. They gravely paced round the stones, and then ran off, and, gathering armfuls of branches of green bushes, threw them on the stones. Immediately a dense smoke arose, and into this dashed the fire walkers. They squatted in the furnace, and sang songs, while their relations all around the circle chanted weirdly to the beat of the native drums or lalis. Then the "fire eaters" again walked all over the bushes. Even at this stage when a cloth was held over the hot stones it crumpled into ashes in a flash, although held some 3ft. above the stones. It was a most impressive sight, and not one soon to be forgotten.

JEWEL ROBBER.

END OF A CAREER OF CRIME

A man who was shot at Basle while attempting to escape from the police is said to have been the author of extensive jewel robberies carried out last year in London, Manchester, Birmingham, Glasgow, Hull, and other English towns. He was identified with the owner of a villa at Berka, Thuringia, who called himself Walther Brachmann, and professed to be a merchant. A search of the house revealed large quantities of jewels and gold and silver articles, evidently the fruits of robberies, and further investigation showed that the owner of the villa had lived in England for some years before the war and had been interned there under the name of Harry Glove. After his return to this country he is said to have formed an "International Burglary Company Limited." Beginning last year, the gang got into England, via Holland, and, taking up quarters at an hotel in London, where they posed as gentlemen of independent means, planned a whole series of daring robberies.

According to the German papers, a jeweller in Bishopsgate was one of the chief sufferers from their depredations, and lost so heavily that the companies with which he insured offered a reward of £1,000 for information leading to the capture of the thieves. On his return to the Continent Brachmann was able to deposit half a million gulden in a Dutch bank. The stolen goods found at the villa at Berka are said to have a value of £50,000. Brachmann is said to have been a man of good education and to have spoken English and French faultlessly. At his house the police arrested a man who called himself Haussmann and professed to be a farmer. He denied all knowledge of Brachmann's criminal activities.

The Government have authorised the appointment of an engineer to make a full survey and to prepare plans and estimates for the construction of a road tunnel between Gravesend and Tilbury. Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice, a past president of the Institution of Civil Engineers, has been selected to undertake the task.

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"GUILTY—BUT INSANE."

A NEW CRIMINAL LAW SUGGESTED.

"Guilty but insane" will be abolished, as a verdict in criminal cases, and mad murderers will be saved from the scaffold, if the report of the Committee on Insanity and Crime is adopted.

After the reprieve of Ronald True, who on May 5 last year was sentenced to death, Lord Birkenhead, then Lord Chancellor, appointed a Committee, under Lord Justice Atkin, to consider whether any changes are desirable in the existing law, practice, and procedure relating to criminal trials in which the plea of insanity as a defence is raised.

The Committee recommended that:—

It should be recognised that a person charged criminally with an offence is irresponsible for his act when the act is committed under an impulse which the prisoner was by mental disease in substance deprived of any power to resist. It may require legislation to bring this rule into effect.

Save as above, the rules in McNaghten's case should be maintained.

The rule laid down in the McNaghten case referred to was, that "responsibility" implies a knowledge that the act is wrong at the time it is committed.

NOT RESPONSIBLE.

The Committee's report goes on to state:

Where a person is found to be irresponsible on the ground of insanity, the verdict should be that the accused did the act (or made the omission) charged, but is not guilty on the ground that he was insane, so as not to be responsible, according to law, at the time. The existing statutory provision in this respect should be amended.

The committee agrees that a person may be of unsound mind and yet be criminally responsible. On the other hand, that there are cases of mental disorder where the impulse to do a criminal act recurs with increasing force until it is in fact uncontrollable.

Therefore the committee thinks it should be made clear that the law does recognise irresponsibility on the ground of insanity where the act was committed under an impulse which the prisoner was, by mental disease, deprived of any power to resist.

THE EFFECT.

The Lord Chief Justice has issued a warning against the adoption of the recommendations of the recent committee on insanity among criminals.

Only those who have lived among alienists appreciate the extent to which the whole body is permeated with the idea that every criminal is insane; and should they have the dual word in every case in which the plea of insanity is raised prisoners will hang or go free on a balance of scientific possibilities, says the *Daily Mail*.

Apart from homicidal mania, which is a well-recognised form of insanity, the lust of slaying a fellow-creature is comparatively rare among the mentally deranged. Compared with the urge towards self-destruction it is almost negligible.

In all forms of insanity it is the repetition of a certain class of acts which is the predominant feature. The megalomaniac persists in his pretensions, the kleptomaniac continues to steal.

Why, then, should it be advanced that an individual who commits a brutal murder, and who has never at any other time shown a tendency to destroy life, is the automatic victim of a diseased mentality?

Is there anything behind this "seeing red" beyond a sudden loss of control—a control which the law is there to see is maintained?

Recently a woman was alleged to be irresponsible for her acts because she had some impairment of her ductless glands.

The rule in McNaghten's case, which is that followed in criminal trials, is that for a person to be irresponsible for an act he must not have appreciated that he was doing wrong.

This seems to be the only guide to justice in our present knowledge of insanity, and the conversion of the assize court into a psychological clinic is not desirable either from the standpoint of the medical profession or that of the public.

POISON ANTIDOTE.

NEW SAFEGUARD FOR HUMAN LIFE.

A remarkable instance of the efficacy of camphor oil in a case of gas poisoning is recorded in the current issue of the "Lancet."

The case was that of a girl who was restored to consciousness in three minutes by an injection of the oil. She had lain for several hours in an atmosphere of gas and was considered to be almost beyond recovery.

"The method seems to be entirely new," said a London medical authority, "but it is just another instance of the way in which medical science is discovering antidotes to the poisons and diseases which affect the human body.

"At present disease and blood poisons triumph in many cases just because we are as yet ignorant of the counteracting specific which would drive them from the blood and restore the patient.

"But we are progressing along lines of discovery which will be of infinite value to mankind. Camphor oil seems to be one of these, and the use of ammonia is another. Once we have the formula, and know how and when to use it, what now seems a miracle will become commonplace.

"There are, of course, various other methods of bringing people out of an advanced state of coma. One of these is the wonderful operation of heart massage. It is only performed in the last resort, as it means that the delicate mechanism of life has to be laid bare and gently manipulated by the direct contact of the surgeon's hands.

"There is more to be hoped for in the use of antidotes such as camphor oil, which by chemical action, will neutralise poisons in the system and restore life."

JOKE EXPLODED.

MARRIED LIFE LONGER.

CELIBATES WARNED.

"Marry if you wish to live long" is the advice tacitly conveyed by Sir Arthur Newsholme, formerly Permanent Medical Officer to the Local Government Board, in "The Elements of Vital Statistics."

"The question of the effect of sex on mortality is closely related," he says, "to the influence of the inter-relation of the sexes in matrimony. The subject has long interested social statisticians, who are not restrained from statistical study by the perennial joke that married life is not more prolonged than the celibate, but that it seems longer."

Sir Arthur gives a table showing a much longer life period for all ages among married men than among single men and widowers. He declares that various factors contribute to the longevity of married men.

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LORD JERSEY DEAD.

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The Earl of Jersey, whose death in his 51st year after a very brief illness was announced, was the eighth earl and succeeded to the title on the death of his father in 1915. He was a partner in the old-established banking firm of Child and Company, in Fleet-street, but the great interest of his life was racing, and he served for two periods as a steward of the Jockey Club.

Lord Jersey's family has long and distinguished associations with the turf. His great-grandfather was the owner of Bay Middleton, winner of the Derby in 1836. Other of his horses won two more Derbys, and the Two Thousand Guineas five times.

The late earl, who registered his colours in 1904, as Lord Villiers, was never so fortunate as to win a classic race. His two Derby candidates, Greenback and Scamp, were defeated—the former only by a neck by Lemberg. Scamp, however, won the Gimcrack Stakes and gave his owner the right to make the speech of the evening at the Gimcrack dinner in 1921.

Security, Freesia, Coral, and Arion were other horses owned by Lord Jersey. Arion started favourite for the Lincoln in 1919 but was defeated. Later, however, he won the Jubilee, the Newmarket Handicap, Newbury Summer Cup, and the Liverpool Cup.

KEEP RACING FREE.

Lord Jersey devoted his "Gimcrack" speech on December 2, 1921, to a discussion of various racing problems, and, in particular, the pari-mutuel. He confessed that twenty years ago he had been very much in favour of this "automatic bookmaker," but since then he had changed his mind.

They could not, he said, have the pari-mutuel without inviting legislation as a first step, and without running the risk, amounting almost to a certainty, of State intervention as a sequel. Whatever they did, let them try to keep racing free. He earnestly asked all who favoured the pari-mutuel to satisfy themselves about what it meant in initial legislation and after-administration.

BETTING TAX COMMITTEE.

Last Derby Day Lord Jersey entertained the members of the Betting Tax Committee at Epsom. He had already given evidence before them that although the Jockey Club could take no official cognisance of betting it would help in considering how the law should be framed if betting were legalised.

Lord Jersey, who was Master of the Drag at Oxford, was for several years a follower of the Bicester. Earlier in life he played polo with considerable success. He was one of the very few men who have won much money at Monte Carlo, and was credited with having made £40,000 by one visit to the tables.

In 1908 he married Lady Cynthia Needham, eldest daughter of the third Earl of Kilmorey. He leaves two sons and two daughters, and is succeeded by his eldest son, Viscount Grandison, who is 14.

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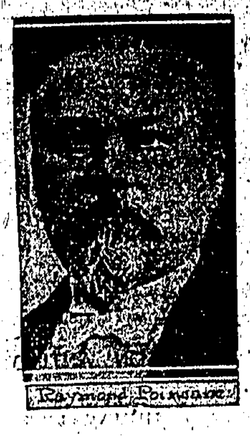

To-day's cables report that following the Government's victory in the Senate, M. Poincare is practically assured of retaining the post of Premier.

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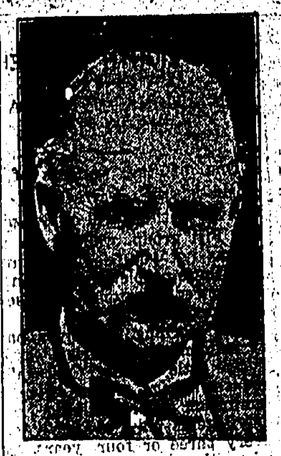

A Reuter cable from Washington this morning states that the Senate has authorised the $100,000 appropriation for the oil scandal prosecution. Mr. Fall, former Secretary of the Interior, is one of the men most nearly concerned.

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Peasants who have been elected members of the Serbian Parliament.

Former Governor of Ohio and the Democratic nominee for the Presidency in 1920, Mr. Cox, announces that he will again stand for nomination this year, to-day's cables report.

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To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet inches to the height given in the table.

February 13 to 19, 1924.

Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water: Standard Time	High Water: Height	Low Water: Hongkong Standard Time	Low Water: Height
		h m	feet	h m	ft
Thurs.	13	m 2 40	4.2	m 8 26	0.5
		3 43 a	5.1	11 22 a	2.3
Wed.	14	m 4 16	3.9	m 9 6	3.6
		4 35 a	4.6		
Thur.	15	m 4 54	3.6	m 8 25	2.0
		5 26 a	4.0	m 10 4	3.7
Fri.	16	m 7 37	4.0	m 1 16	2.4
		6 14 a	4.4	m 11 0	3.7
Sat.	17	m 6 19	4.3	m 1 40	1.9
		6 51 a	4.5	0 9 a	3.5
Sup.	18	m 8 35	4.4	m 2 23	1.5
		7 5 a	4.6	0 19 a	3.4
Mon.	19	m 9 5	4.6	m 2 58	1.2
		8 18 a	4.6	1 44 a	3.6

THE INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL BANK, LTD.

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Correspondents in all commercial centres of China and abroad.
PROMPT SERVICE.
Attractive rates for all kinds of deposits.
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T. H. MAI,
Manager.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the *China Mail*, are charged for at the rate of $1 each, (as announced in May and June of 1922) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 19th, 1924.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

11 A.M.

Names.	Stock Exchange.	Sharebrokers' Association.
Banks.		
H.S.B.C. T.T. selling rate		2/4⅛
on London ...	2/4⅛	
and on Shanghai ...	$ 70	$70
Hongkong Banks	$ 1150 b.	b. 1150
Chartered Bank	$ 19⅛ n.	n. £19⅛
P. & O. Bank	£ 12⅞ n.	n. £12
East Asia Bank	97½ b.	b. 98
Mercantile Bank A B $19 n.		n. "A" $38⅛
do. C £12 n.		
Marine Insurances		
Canton Insurance...	705 s.	n. 710
North China Insurance ...	$ 149 b.	n. 140
Union Insurance	$ 236 b.	b. 228
Insurance Yangtsze	$ 29½ n.	n. 28½
China Under	11 n.	
Far Eastern	—	—
		b. 146
		b. 550
Fire Insurances		
China Fire Insurance	$ 140 b.	
Hongkong Fire Insurance...	$ 550 n.	
Shipping		
Douglases	$ 58 b.	b. 53
H.K. Steamboats	$ 44½ n.	b. 43
Indo-Chinas. (Pref.	$ 38½ b.	n. 35
do. (Def.))	$ 13⅜ n.	—
do. (H.K. Reg.)	1334 n.	n. 130
Shell Transports	92/9 b.	b. 92/6
Star Ferries	$ 71 b. 73 sa.	s. 71-1/2 sa. 71
Hongkong Tugs and Lighter	$3.63 n.	n. 3½
Refineries		
China Sugar	$ 276 b.	n. 276
Malabon Sugar	$ 50 b.	n. 48½
Mining		
Kailan Mining Adm	70/- b.	n. 60/-
Langkats	Comb. 90c sa.	b. 33½
Shanghai Loans ...		
Shai Explorations...		
Raubs	$ 5.10 n.	n. 5
Tronoh Mines	36/- b.	b. 36/-
Ural Casp.	14 n.	
Benguet Con	P. 2 n.	
Docks Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
H. & K. Wharfs	$ 185 b	s. 184 sa. 183-1/2
H. & W. Dock	$ 169 b.	b. 169
Shai Docks	T 98 b.	b. 98-1/2
New Engineerings...	T 9½ n.	sa. 6
H. K. Engineerings	—	
Shanghai Hungkews	T $190 b.	
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
H.K. & S'hai Hotels	$87.50 s. New —	(s. 86 New—
Hongkong Lands	$114 b.	b. 114 sa. 115
Humphrey	$ 23½ b. 24 sa.	b. 24.50
Kowloon Lands	$ —	—
Land Reclamations	—	—
Prince's Building	$150 b.	n. 150
H.K. Torial ... ... 11 n.		
Cotton Mills.		
Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd. ...	Tls 12.00 b.	b. 12.30 s. 12½
Kong Yiks	—	
Laou Kung Mows...	—	
Orientals...	T s.s.	b. 4.50 sa. 4.85
Shanghai Cotton	T 6½ n. New $ 42 n.	n. 05 New n. 46
Yangtsepoos...	—	
Miscellaneous.		
Cements	$86 b.	(s. 37½
China-Borneos	—	—
China Lights (Old)	$ 12½ n.	s. 13.85
do (New)	—	—
China Providents...	$ 37½ sa. cum all	s. 37½ cum all
Dairy Farms...	$ 25 b.	b. 24½
H.K. Electrics	$ 34½ n.	n. 34 sa. 35 sa. 34½
Macao do	$ 35 b.	—
Hongkong and Canton Ices ...	—	s. 8
Hongkong Ropes...	$ 86½ s.	s. 67-1/2
Hongkong Tramways... ...	$ 98 b.	b. 98.10
Peak Tramways (Old)... ...	$ 13½ b.	b. 15
Do. (New)	$ 3 b.	b. 2½
Steam Laundries	$ —	—
H.K. Steel Foundry	$ —	—
Water-boats	$ 17½ b.	b. 17-1/2
Watson's	$ 25-1/2 b. 26½ sa.	b. 26½
Wm. Powells	$ 90 b.	—
Land Crawfords	$ 18½ n.	b. 18½ sa. 18-1/2
Canton Ices	$ 5 s.	—
H.K. Construction	$ 8½ b.	b. 8.70 sa 8.75
Nanyang Tobacco	—	b. 20
Sincerns	$ 13½ b.	b. 13
Macklaboth	$ 36 n.	—
H.K. Realty	$ 2.15 b.	b. 2½ sa. 2½/2.60
H.K. Tools	$ 6½ b.	n. 6.00

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL $50,000,000
ISSUED AND FULLY PAID UP $20,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS:—
STERLING... £ 4,500,000
SILVER..... $24,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS... } $20,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang.—Chairman.
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WESTMINSTER BANK, LTD.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.

Hongkong, February 8, 1924.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, November 14, 1922.

司公理管業實法中

SOCIETE FRANCAISE DE GERANCE DE LA BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE.

ETABLISSEMENT FRANCO CHINOIS.

(Incorporated in France)

5 Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong.

HEAD OFFICE:
74 Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

Subscribed Capital Frs. 10,000,000
Paid up Capital ... Frs. 2,500,000

Working fund provided by THE BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE.
Frs. 50,000,000.

BANKERS
Paris: Societe Generale, Banque Nationale de Credit. Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas.
London: The London Joint City and Midland Bank, Ltd.
New York: Irving Bank Columbia Trust Co.

Every description of Banking & Exchange Business transacted. Correspondents throughout the world.

A. L. SEITERT,
Manager.

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO. LTD.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m.	7.10 a.m.		
7.30 " to	8.00 "	Every 15 Minutes	
8.30 " "	8.20 "	" 10 "	
		Stopping.	
	8.30 "	Non Stop	
	8.37 "	" Stopping	
	8.47 "	" Non Stop	
	8.54 "	" Stopping	
	9.04 "	" Non Stop	
	9.11 "	" Stopping	
	2.20 "	" Stopping	
9.30 a.m. to	11.00 a.m.	Every 10 Minutes	
11.30 " "	12.30 p.m.	" 15 "	
		Stopping	
	12.40 "	Non Stop	
	12.47 "	Stopping	
	12.57 "	Non Stop	
	1.04 "	" Stopping	
	1.15 "	" Non Stop	
	1.20 "	" Stopping	
1.30 p.m. to	4.00 p.m.	Every 10 Minutes	
4.00 " "	4.30 "	" 15 "	
4.30 " "	6.30 "	" 10 "	
		Stopping	
	6.40 "	Non Stop	
	6.47 "	Stopping	
	6.57 "	Non Stop	
	7.04 "	" Stopping	
	7.13 "	" Non Stop	
	7.20 "	" Stopping	
	7.30 "	" Non Stop	
	7.37 "	" Stopping	
	7.47 "	" Non Stop	
	7.54 "	" Stopping	
	8.03 "	" Non Stop	
	8.10 "	" Stopping	

SATURDAYS: EXTRA CAR.

12.00 Midnight.

NIGHTCARS: WEEKDAYS & SUNDAYS

8.30 p.m.	9.00 p.m.	9.30 p.m.
9.30 " to	11.00 "	Every 3 Minutes
11.15 "	11.45 "	" 15 "
		Stopping.

SPECIAL CARS.

By Arrangement at the Company's Office Alexandra Buildings.

Hongkong, June 1, 1923.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:—
No. 10, Des Voeux Road, Central.
Established 1918.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL, ... $10,000,000.00
PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... $5,000,000.00
RESERVE FUND, ... $500,000.00

DIRECTORS:—

Mr. Pong Wai Ting, Chairman
Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, Mr. Kan Ying Po,
Mr. Li Koon Chun, Mr. Mok Ching Kong,
Mr. Fung Ping Shan, Mr. Wong Yue Tong,
Mr. F. K. Kwok, Mr. Chan Ching Shuk,
Mr. Hsuan Tsi, Mr. Ng Chang Lok.

Chief Manager, Mr. Kan Tong Po.
Asst. Manager, Mr. Li Tse Fong.

BRANCHES & AGENCIES:—

LONDON	NEW YORK
PARIS	SAN FRANCISCO
SHANGHAI	YOKOHAMA
KOBE	SAIGON
NAGASAKI	PENANG
SINGAPORE	HANKOW
TIENTSIN	BATAVIA
MANILA	SOURABAYA
SAMARANG	BOMBAY
CALCUTTA	CANTON

London Bankers:—The London Joint City and Midland Bank.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Loans granted on approved securities.

Interest allowed on Current Deposit Account at the rate of Two per cent. per annum on Savings Account Four per cent. per annum, and on Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—

For 3 months at the rate of 3½ per annum
For 6 months at the rate of 4½ per annum
For 12 months at the rate of 5½ per annum.

KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

[illegible], March 8th 1922.

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY.)

BANK.

ESTABLISHED 1824.
HONGKONG BRANCH ESTABLISHED 1906.

Authorised Capital G. 150,000,000 £12,500,000
Paid-Up Capital ...G. 80,000,000 £ 6,666,670
Reserve Fund .....G. 19,769,180 £ 1,647,430
Special Reserves...G. 22,660,000 £ 1,888,330

HEAD OFFICE:—Amsterdam.
EASTERN HEAD OFFICE:—Batavia.

BRANCHES:—

Bandjermasin	Bandoeng	Bombay
Calcutta	Cheribon	Djember
Djokjakarta	The Hague	Kobe
Kota-Radja	Makassar	Medan
Padang	Palembang	Pecalongan
Penang	Pontianak	Rangoon
Rotterdam	Samarang	Shanghai
Singapore	Soerabaia	Soerakarta (Solo)
Tegal	Tjilatjap	Weltevreden

LONDON BANKERS:—
The National Provincial and Union Bank of England Ltd.
Correspondents all over the world.
BANKING BUSINESS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

J. J. STAARGAARD,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 2, 1924.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD., (Taiwan Ginko.)

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed ....Yen 60,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) .....Yen 52,500,000
Reserve Fund .....Yen 12,930,000

HEAD OFFICE:
TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES:
JAPAN—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Moji.
FORMOSA—Giran, Kagi, Karenko, Keelung, Makung, Nanto, Pinan, Shinchiku, Taichu, Tainan, Takow, Tamsui, Tohyen, Ako.
CHINA—Shanghai, Hankow, Kiukiang, Amoy, Foochow, Swatow, Canton.
OTHERS—Bangkok, Hongkong, Singapore, Soerabaya, Samarang, Batavia, Bombay, London, New York.

LONDON BANKERS:
London County Westminster and Parr's Bank.

The Bank has Correspondents in the Commercial Centres in the European Continent, Russia, Manchuria Tsingtao, Japan, Indo-China, Siam, India, Philippine Islands, Java, and Dutch Indies, Australia, America, Africa, &c.

Interest allowed on Current Account, and Fixed Deposits at rates which will be quoted on application.

S. KONDOH,
Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH,
3, Des Vœux Road Central.
Hongkong, September 15, 1923.

THE BANK OF CHINA.

中國銀行

(Specially Authorised by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917).

Authorised Capital $60,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital $18,278,600.00
Reserve Fund .....$ 9,629,425.24

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING.

HONGKONG BRANCH:
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Branches and Sub-branches all over China and Correspondents in Europe, America, and other parts of the world.

London Bankers:—The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd. The Guaranty Trust Company of New York.

New York Bankers:—The Irving National Bank.

The Equitable Trust Company of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.

Every description of Banking Business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.

Special facilities for Home Exchange.

TSUYEN, PEI,
Manager.

THE NATIONAL COMMERCIAL & SAVINGS BANK, LTD.

163, Des Voeux Road, Central.

(國民商業儲蓄銀行有限公司)

Authorised Capital..... $2,000,000.00
Managing Director:—Y. P. Ma, Esq.
Chief Manager:—Wong Kwok Shaen, Esq.
Sub-Manager:—Chan Kew, Esq.

General Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.

Current, Savings and Fixed Deposits, bear interest at rates 3%, 4½% and 6% per annum respectively.

[illegible], Managing Director.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £3,000,000
Reserve Fund £3,800,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors' £3,000,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 8, 1923.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

HEAD OFFICE:
96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital .....Frs. 72,000,000.00
Paid Up Capital .....Frs. 68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund .....Frs. 59,867,362.54

BRANCHES:

Bangkok	Hongkong	Saigon
Battambang	Mongtse	Shanghai
Canton	Noumea	Singapore
Djibouti	Papeete	Tientsin
Haiphong	Peking	Tourane
Hankow	Phnom-Penh	Yunnanfu
Hanoi	Pondicherry	

BANKERS:

IN FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais, Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas; Credit Industriel et Commercial Société Générale.

IN LONDON: The National Provincial & Union, Bank of England, Ltd., Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais.

IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan & Co., French American Banking Corporation; Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

C. E. GOY,
Manager.

Hongkong, October 1, 1923.

BANK OF CANTON LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE HONGKONG.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.

2% per annum on the daily credit balances of over $100.00.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 Months 3% per annum.
For 6 Months 4% per annum.
For 12 Months 5% per annum.
On demand ... 2% per annum.

LOOK POONG SHAN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 24, 1921.

THE CHINESE MERCHANTS BANK, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE:
Alexandra Buildings, Chater Road.

General Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received at rates which may be ascertained on application.

The Bank also conducts a Savings Department.

K. C. LAU,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 17, 1920.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LTD.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL (fully paid up) .....Yen 100,000,000
RESERVE FUND .....Yen 73,300,000

HEAD OFFICE:—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES AT:

Batavia	Newchwang
Bombay	New York
Buenos Ayres	Osaka
Calcutta	Peking
Changchun	Rangoon

BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

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The Bank of Canton, Ltd., Des Vœux Road Central.

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Engineers & Shipbuilders

W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd Engineer & Shipbuilder Kowloon Bay New Work & Repairs Call Flag "L"

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Palace Hotel, Kowloon—Corner of Haiphong and Hankow Roads. Few minutes from ferry.

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Nam Kang Suitcase Co., Best makers of Leather Suitcases, Hand Bags, Purses, Belts, etc. Pottinger St., 208 Queen's Rd. Ct. and 28 Hillier St.

Po Hing, 124 Des Voeux Road. Manufacturers of Leather Suitcases, Hand Bags, Trunks etc.

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China Commercial Co., Ltd. Miners, Importers and Exporters 54-56 Queen's Road Ct. Tel. Cen. 2802.

TYPEWRITERS

HOP SING, 22, Pottinger St.

Modistes

Madame Flint, 31, Queen's Road Cen. Tel. Cen. 589. (latest Parisian models)

Optician

The Hongkong Optical Co. Phone 2122. 13, Queen's Road Central

Printers

The China Mail, General Printers, Publishers and Bookbinders. 5, Wyndham Street. Tel. C.22.

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Mee Cheung, Photograph 23, Ice House Street Bonnington Arcade Branch, Developing & Printing undertaken.

Po Kwong Photo Studio 129, Wellington Street, Photo Supplies and Developing. Art picture dealer.

MAE KWONG, Printing, Developing etc. undertaken Kowloon.

Rubber & Wood,

Sankankee & Co., 39 Connaught Rd. W. Manufacturers of Rubber soles and Singapore Wood. Tel. Central 4473.

Ship Chandlers

Chung Fook, 78 Connaught Rd. Ctl. First floor. Tel. Central 639. Shipchandler, Stevedores and Compradors.

E. Hing & Co., 25 Wing Woo Street. Tel Central 1116 Naval Merchants & Ship Chandlers, Managing Director— Mr. H. S. Chin.

Sun Cheong Compradors, General Provision Store. Naval and Military Contractor. No. 60, Praya East Wanchai. Telephone No. 3761.

Wang Kee & Co., Shipchandlers, Compradores, Stevedores & Coal Merchants, Boat & Pilot supply No. 30 & 31, Connaught Road, Tel. Central No. 45.

Shipowners

Man Wing S. S. Co., Ltd., 30 Lothian Strand West. Tel. Cen. 1710 Regular Fortnightly Service Hongkong and Haiphong via Hoihow s.s. "Hainan."

Thai Thuan S. S. Co., Ltd., 147 Wing Lok Street, East. Tel. Cen. 93 s.s. "Derwent" s.s. "Bourbon" Between Hongkong and Saigon.

Shoemakers

Jam Kee, Dealer in Sewing Machines and Accessories, Boot & Shoe Maker. 7 Pottinger Street.

WONG SIU WOON BOOTS, SHOES AND SLIPPERS FOR LADIES GENTS AND CHILDREN. PRICES MODERATE TEL. 1474 No. 21, POTTINGER ST.

Tailors

Hongkong Tailoring Co. Ladies' and Gent's Tailors, 10, D'Aguilar Street. New Materials of all descriptions. Tel. Centl. 2380.

Ah Young, Tailors Drapers & Outfitters, Hat & Clothing, Suits made to order. No. 74, Queen's Road Central, Tel. Central No. 2630.

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Tobaccos, Cigarettes.

British American Tobacco Co. (China), Ltd. 15-19 Connaught Road.

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Ling & Co., Glass Merchants, Furniture, Mirror and Canton Marble Manufacturer, Electro-plated, Glass and Crockery Ware and Photo Supplies. 19, Queen's Road Central Tel. Central No. 1219.

NATIONAL OPTICAL COMPANY Ltd. [illegible]

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Ehiva" arrived at London on Feb. 19 at 7 a.m.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Bearport" which is due at Hongkong on Feb. 20 sailed from Kobe on Feb. 19.

The A.O.L.'s s. "Bakersfield" which is due at Hongkong on Feb. 22 sailed from Amoy for Swatow on Feb. 19.

The P. & O. s.s. "Moota" left Shanghai for this port on Feb. 19 at 10 p.m. and is due here to-day at 7 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Khyber" left Singapore for this port on Feb. 17 at 4 p.m. with the outward English Mails and is due here to-day.

The O. I. s.s. "Tanda" left Moji for this port on Feb. 17 at p.m. and is due here to-day.

The O.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" Capt. A. J. Halley, R.N.R., Commander, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai (Woosung), Kobe and Yokohama at 7 p.m. to-day.

The O.S.K. s.s. "London Maru" left Singapore on Feb. 19 and is due here on Feb. 24.

The B. L. s.s. "Benalop" from Leith, Middlesbro', Antwerp and London left Singapore for this port on Feb. 20 and may be expected to arrive here on Feb. 29.

The B. F. s.s. "Trojan" left Liverpool on Feb. 3 for Hongkong, Shanghai, Taku and Dairy and is due here on or about on March 7.

The B. F. s.s. "Astyanax" left Liverpool on Jan. 27 for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan and is due here on or about Mar. 9.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Kamo Maru" (European Passenger Line) left London for Hongkong via Suez on Feb. 4 and is expected here on Mar. 11.

The B. F. s.s. "Machaon" left Liverpool on Feb. 9 for Straits, Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan and is due here on or about Mar. 14.

The A.O.L. s.s. "West Ison" which is due at Hongkong on or about Mar. 22 sailed from Seattle on Feb. 1.

The D.S.L. s.s. "Pres. Adams" which is due at Hongkong on Mar. 31st sailed from New York on Feb. 7 on schedule.

The O.A.S. Co., Ltd., s.s. "Victoria" with Australian Mail left Sydney for Hongkong via Queensland ports, Sandakan and Manila on Feb. 16 1924 and is expected to be here or on about Mar. 7 1924.—The Wing On Co., Ltd., Agents.

The B. F. s.s. "Sarpedon" left Liverpool on Feb. 17 for Penang, Singapore, Hongkong and Shanghai and is due here on Mar. 15.

A message from Madrid states that a military surgeon on Raisuli. So far fully operated on Raisuli. So far no complications have supervened.

LEAP-YEAR.

WHY WOMAN HAS THE PRIVILEGE.

There will be 29 days in February this year, for 1924 is a leap-year. A leap-year is one whose number in the Christian Era can be divided by four without remainder, the century years—1900, etc.—being excepted. The necessity for leap-years lies in the fact that the solar year consists of 365 days, 5 hours 48 minutes, and therefore periodic readjustment is necessary.

The most famous custom associated with leap-year is the one which gives women the privilege of proposing instead of being proposed to, on every 29th of February.

This privilege is legendarily said to have been cajoled out of St. Patrick by St. Bridget. In more recent times the right has, apparently, been extended to cover the whole year—an extension which has caused some nervousness in the minds of bachelors.

In parts of New England there lingers a curious superstition that in leap-year beans grow on the wrong side of the pod.

Archbishop Whitgift, Edward Cave, who founded the *Gentleman's Magazine*, Rossini, the composer, and the eldest son of the present Duke of Abercorn were all born on February 29. There are about 20,000 people in the country with their birthday on this date.

The battles of El Teb, 1884, and Adowa, 1896, were both fought on February 29, and Disraeli formed his first Administration on February 29, 1868.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Fooshing, (J. M. & Co.) from Bangkok, Swatow.—36.

Salen, (Dodwell & Co.) from Saigon.—B28.

Morea, (P. & O.) from Shanghai.—A1.

Tanda, (B. I. S. N.) from Amoy.—A2.

Ixion, (B. & S.) from Shanghai.—A3.

Anna, (Dodwell & Co.) from Shanghai.—A6.

Taikwa Maru, (Y. K. K.) from Hoihow.—C43.

Passat, (Kwong Mow Tai) from Dairen.—West Point.

City of York, (Bank Line) from Singapore.—Holt's Wharf.

Khyber, (P. & O.) from Singapore.—Kowloon Wharf.

DEPARTURES.

Kanchow, (B. & S.) for Swatow.—February 22.

Hai Ching, (Douglas & Co.) for Swatow.—February 22.

Wai Shing, (J. M. & Co.) for Swatow.—February 22.

Pt. Jefferson, (Ad, Line) for Shanghai.—February 22.

Empire of Australia, (C. P. S. Ltd.) for Shanghai.—February 22.

Childar, (Thoresen) for Bangkok.—February 22.

Sung Shan Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Swatow.—February 22.

Paling Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Shanghai.—February 22.

NanYo Maru I, (Y.K.K.) for Hoihow.—February 22.

Hydrangea, (Chinon) for Swatow.—Februry 22.

Tai Yuan, (B. & S.) for Manila.—February 22.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st February 1924 :—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

1923.	1924
Tytam 6ft. 3in. Below overflow	10ft. 7in. Below overflow
Tytam Byewash 28ft. 3in. Below overflow	20ft. 8in. Below overflow
Tytam Intermediate 28ft. 7in. Below overflow	Level with overflow
Tytam Tuk 43ft. 7in. Below overflow	17ft. 4in. Below overflow
Wong Nai Chung 27ft. 3in. Below overflow	10ft. 6in. Below overflow
Pokfulam 19ft. 4in. Below overflow	4ft. 10in. Below overflow

RESERVOIRS AND SERVICES OF GALLONS.	1923.	1924.
Tytam	319 90	309.75
Tytam Byewash	Nil	"
Tytam Intermediate	49 85	105.86
Tytam Tuk	800.40	1,039.27
Wong Nai Chung	5.41	12.23
Pokfulam	39.72	83.26
Total	919.8	1,550.75

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of January,

	1923	1924	m.g.
Consumption	194.65	253.71	m.g.
Estimated population	267,200	277,529	
Consumption per head per day	182	22.3	gallons

Intermittent Supply in all Rider Main Districts during January 1923.

Constant Supply in all districts during January 1924.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

Kowloon Gravity-fed Reservoirs	1923. 12ft. 11in. Below overflow	1924. 7ft. 8in. Below overflow
Kowloon Contributed Reservoir	23.13	21.98

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December.	1922.	1923.
Consumption	22.36	24.00 m.g.
Estimated population	128,000	128,000
Consumption per head per day	18.3	14.6 gallons

Full Supply in all districts during January 1923 and 1924.

The Government Analyst reports of that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

	1923	1924
Rainfall in 31st January	3.13 in.	1.71 in.

H. T. ORMAY, Water Authority Public Works Department.

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"RHEXENOR"	24th Mar.	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg

LIVERPOOL SERVICE

(Direct or via Continental Ports)

"ANTILOCHUS"	1st March	M'lles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"BELLEROPHON"	20th Mar.	Genoa, M'lles, Liverpool & Glasgow
"PERSEUS"	1st Apr.	M'lles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow

PACIFIC SERVICE

(via Kobe and Yokohama)

"ACHILLES"	15th Mar.	Victoria, Seattle and Vancouver.
"PHILOCTETES"	9th Apr.	

NEW YORK SERVICE

(via Suez or Panama)

"KNIGHT TEMPLAR"	21st Mar.	via Suez and Boston.
"NELEUS"	11th Apr.	via Suez and Boston.

PASSENGER SERVICE

"TEIRESIAS"	17th Mar.	for Singapore & London
"SARPEDON"	19th Mar.	for Shanghai
"SARPEDON"	21st Apr.	Singapore, Marseilles & London
"PATROCLUS"	19th May	for Singapore, Marseilles & London
"MENTOR"	18th June	for Singapore & London

For Freight and Passage Rates and all Information Apply to :—

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

INWARD MAILS.

From		Per
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.		
Shanghai		Wuhu
Shanghai		Morea
EUROPE via Suez (Letters and Papers London 24th Jan. and Parcels 17th Jan.)		Khyber
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24.		
U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Shanghai		Pres. Grant
Shanghai		Chihli
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25.		
Shanghai		Ichang
Shanghai		Chinkiang
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26.		
Shanghai		Chunking
MONDAY, MARCH 3.		
U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai		Pres. Hayes
FRIDAY, MARCH 7.		
Australia and Manila		Victoria

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Time
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America & EUROPE via Vancouver B.C., due Vancouver B.C. 13th Mar. Parcels 22nd Friday 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Empress of Australia	
Shanghai and Japan	Hosang	5 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Chung Hing	5 p.m.
Hoihow	Taiszema	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America & EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C., 13th Mar. Parcels 21st Feb., 5 p.m. Registration 8 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.	President Jefferson	
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23.		
Manila	Yuensang	9.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Aden, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via MARSEILLES—due Marseilles 22nd Mar. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Morea	
Shanghai and Dairen	Khyber	10 a.m.
Saigon	Prominent	1 p.m.
Saigon	Foochow	2.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Taikwa Maru	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Sunning	5 p.m.
Saigon	Wong shek Kung	5 p.m.
Shanghai	Sinkiang	5 p.m.
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24.		
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Yunnan	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kaijo Maru	9 a.m.
AUSTRALIA and New Zealand via Sydney, due Sydney. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration 5 p.m. Letters 25th 8.30 a.m.	Ling Nam	
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25.		
Hoihow and Bangkok	Chenan	8.30 a.m.
Formosa	Saitoh Maru	10.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Chungking	10.30 a.m.
Straits, Egypt & EUROPE via LONDON —due London 1st April Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 a.m.	Demodocus	
Manila	Pres. Grant	3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Suiyang	5 p.m.
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26.		
Hoihow and Haiphong	Mingsang	8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Kwaisang	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Haruna Maru	10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Tanda	11.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Hinsang	Noon.
Swatow, Amoy and Kowloon	Haihong	Noon.
Daisy	Chihli	2.30 p.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Kwangchow	2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Wingsang	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada U.S.A., C. and S. America & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 20th Mar. & Europe via Siberia (Correspondence specially superscribed "via Siberia" only). Parcels 5 p.m. Registration 8 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.	President Cleveland	
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27.		
Java via Sourabaya	Tjisalack	10.30 a.m.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29.		
Java via Batavia	Tjimanook	10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haifoong	Noon.
Straits and Calcutta	Kutsang	1 p.m.
Japan	Tjiteroem	5 p.m.
MONDAY, MARCH 3.		
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via MARSEILLES—due Marseilles 5th April. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Angers	
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5.		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles —due Marseilles 7th Apr. Registration 2.45 p.m. Letters 3.30 a.m.	Haruoki Maru	

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BRAIN-POWER.

SECRET OF STRONG AND WEAK MINDS.

Large foreheads do not always mean large brains. The man with the domeshaped head may after all be merely an ordinary individual of no particular intelligence.

Dr. Bernard Hollander, the famous medical psychologist, disclosed some of the secrets of brain-power in his presidential address to the Ethnological Society. The frontal lobes—that part of the brain behind the forehead—are the chief centre of intelligence and capacity, and they are of greater complexity and of finer architecture than any other part of the brain.

"Large frontal lobes, however," he added, "do not necessarily signify superior intelligence, for there are other factors which have to be taken into account. The quality of the brain structure, the state of its blood supply and nutrition, the condition of the bodily organs may all influence mental energy. The size of the body has also some relation to the size of the brain, though not to the extent frequently assumed, for the body varies in size and weight at different periods of life whereas the brain undergoes no corresponding change.

The destruction of the frontal lobes in man, through accident, produces curious effects. People so injured forget all they have learned, and cannot learn anything new. Dr. Hollander quoted instances of patients who, after an injury to the forehead, lost all memory of five years past, and of others who, while remaining normal in other ways, forgot all the special knowledge relating to their occupation. Another characteristic of such injury was cheerfulness and undue hilarity.

JUNGLE HORRORS.

WILD ORGIES OF HEAD HUNTERS.

The vast forest regions lying on either side of the Amazon are probably the least-known and the most dangerous portions of the world All this is brought out forcibly in Mr. Charles W. Domville-Fife's remarkable book "Among Wild Tribes of the Amazons" (Seeley, Service, 21s.).

The tribes are full of strange and barbarous customs. Most of them regard the heads of slain enemies as great trophies. Mr. Domville-Fife managed to discover in one tribe the place where the heads were prepared.

Here, at last, was the secret death-house of the Huambisa. The floor was hard with congealed blood drained from human bodies for unknown years. At frequent intervals this fierce tribe attacks neighbouring villages, capturing the women and girls, and killing the men. The bodies of those slain are then decapitated and the heads brought back in triumph.

These ghastly trophies are stuck on lances, and the tribe assembles round them for a wild night orgy. Drinking, feasting, and unnameable debauchery continue until dawn when the heads are removed by the witch-doctors to the death-house.

One of the most mysterious stories told by Mr. Domville-Fife is about the poison called *yagé* which gives to people who take it the power of describing events "of which they can never have either seen or heard in full consciousness. European cities, music, and current events have been pictured in detail unprovided for the meagre vocabulary of the native dialect, and only possible of communication with the aid of rough drawings."

Altogether this is an absorbing and exciting book of adventure and observation.

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